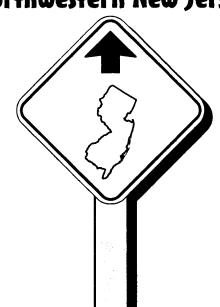
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COMING SOON: The new "WTFDA TV Station Guide" is almost ready for the printer. The original version of this extremely popular publication has been out of print for years, but at the urging of a sizeable number of club members, Doug Smith spearheaded the effort to update the maps and data. News of the release date and cost will appear in this column...VERY SOON!

SKIP? What's skip? It's getting to the point where you almost have to be an old-timer to remember what E-skip looks like! While that's an overstatement, it's not too far from the truth. As of mid-June this has generally been a very unproductive year for sporadic Es propagation. There have been a few scattered openings but no reports of anything extraordinary. However, keep in mind that the 1998 season displayed a lot of similar characteristics; and while not a banner year, offered some unusual late-season activity into mid-August. We can only hope!

A MATTER OF DAYS: Friday thru Sunday, July 16-18, WTFDA's annual convention will offer a weekend of food, fun and fraternity in NW New Jersey. This years host Rick Shaftan has a reputation for putting on great get-togethers and promises much more than the usual burger and hot dog menu. IF YOU HAVE NOT YET REGISTERED, PLEASE DO SO IMMEDIATELY. Your cost for the entire weekend is \$25.00. There will be activities for spouses and children and they'll be welcome to eat with us. \$15 will cover expenses for your spouse and there'll be a \$10 charge for each child. You can't feed them any cheaper (for the whole weekend) anywhere else! Make your check payable to: Mountaintop Media and mail to Box 578, Sparta, NJ 07871. Days Inn at Ledgewood, NJ is our unofficial headquarters...for availability information call 973-347-5100. Any other last minute questions? E-mail Rick at <shaftan@ptd.net>.

OTHER CONVENTIONS:

NRC: Holiday Inn, Bridgeport WV on Sept 3-6, 1999. Reservations 1-304-842-5411, \$70.95 for two double bed room, no limit on how many in a room. Convention registration - \$35. Host is William Swiger, One Casey Ln, Bridgeport WV 26330, 304-842-4635.

QDXA: "Radio Fest 99"... September 24-26 at the Ramada Inn & Convention Centre, Oakville, Ontario. TV and FM DXers are welcome. Contact the Ramada Inn by telephone (905)849-5950, toll free 1-800-357-0880. Events commence Friday at 7PM. Registration takes place Saturday morning.



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JULY 1999..E-SKIP WHERE ARE YOU?

The month of May, and the first portion of June were disappointing, to say the least. Dxers in the USA as well as in Europe complained about the lack of E skip. So lets not talk about skip...lets talk about something just as important.. First, we have two new members in **Jim Brown** from Arlington, VA and Forrest Tabor from Denison, TX. Back in March of 1998 when I first took this over, Jim sent a two-year

renewal check that never got cashed and we just got the situation fixed last month. So, Forrest and Jim, welcome in and welcome back and we are glad to have both of you here!

For renewals this month we have checks from James Montgomery, George Mileon, James Wallace, Peter George, John Griffiths, James Gill, Eric Sundius, Jim Ayers, Kermit Reid, Owen Wood, John Ebeling, Dan Oglethorpe, David Shapiro, Bob Zent, David Sinclair and Steven Ponder. Like the little mailbox graphic? I found this in a 1970 VUD, scanned it, scrubbed and cleaned it, and it's good as new.

POPCOMM PRINTS BILL ECKBERG. Bill Eckberg has done an article about TV Dxing for Popular Communications. The article was originally scheduled for the June issue, but so far has not appeared in either the June or July *PopComms*. Bill is a TV dxer with over 44 years of DXing experience. He knows his stuff. Supposedly, some photos Bill supplied will be included in this article, so I would recommend that everyone check out their favorite bookstore for this article on TV DXing by one of our senior members.

WEATHERPROOFING ANTENNA CONNECTIONS. Dr. Bill Mitchell is an anesthesiologist who doesn't put me to sleep. Recently he asked the following: "A thought for a future issue of the VUD: effective weatherproofing of antenna connections. Having wet extremes of weather here in Columbus, OH, few measures seem to last more than a year before corrosion creeps into the lead-in/antenna terminal interface. Krylon acrylic spray seems to be about the best although not 100% of the time." Well, knowing full well that you can find an answer to just about anything on the internet, I posed this question to the amfintvdx list and here are the answers I got. From Karl Zuk: "I use good old RTV silicon. Use clear only. Never fails." From another DXer: "I use coax seal...it is a tape like tar material that works great even in our weather which goes from -40 to 100 degrees F." And from Alan Dunn: "Coax Seal from Radio Shack. It is a flexible putty. Works well and costs little." Now that they mention Coax Seal, I remember working with a friend's antenna a few years ago and taking that stuff off his antenna terminals. It is neat stuff for sure. Hope this helps you Bill.

MORE GREAT FREE STUFF! OK, satellite television addicts, this is for you! Bob Cooper sent us two copies of Satfacts Monthly, his Pacific/Asia satellite magazine, as well as one copy of Coop's Technology Digest, a report on the world of satellite communications. The first three people who want one get one. Specify what you want. First come, first serve. These are absolutely great and if I could afford to subscribe to them, I would. Here is just a sample from Technology Digest: "First digital TV sets going into US consumer homes are not without fault. Mitsubishi switchable 4:3/ 16:9 sets are reported to have major fringing (edges accentuated) after being used for several hours. Sony 34" digital sets apparently shut down totally when told to switch from digital to analogue or the return, must be powered down and restarted. Midwestern USA retailer told trade press "It's been very bumpy for everybody and there have been problems across the board. But, manufacturers are addressing them." Other problems - retailers demonstrating DTV sets have found they must (as in MUST!) install quality rooftop aerials to get clean enough signal for DTV sets to perform. One retailer who had done this told trade press, "there has been

a great deal of aerial, transmission line, signal splitter tweaking to make it work. And even then it does not always work as it should." Equal or greater problems - consumers purchasing DTV sets are very unlikely to haul them home and make them work. "We are finding that we must almost insist they agree to retrofit their existing rooftop aerial if they want DTV reception to be as good as it can be under the correct circumstances."" Hmm, does this signal a return of TV antennas to Wal-Mart and K-Mart??

THERE'S NO LOAD LIKE OVERLOAD. Last month, in this very spot, we listed some equipment Bill Nollman had for sale. Steve Solomon adds a few details: "I don't know if you are aware of the whole story behind Bill Nollman's search for the perfect tuner for his house. I brought my T-85 to his house and we matched it up against I believe four or five of his tuners, including the Yamaha T-900U (a fantastic unit), the Carver TX-11A (Bill's original), the Onkyo T-9090, and I don't remember the other one. Anyway, while they were all great with sensitivity, my T-85 outperformed all the others with overload rejection! So Bill went out and found one on the internet. He modified the five IF filters and is having great success." For those people plagued by strong locals and lots of overload, the Yamaha T-85 seems to be the solution to the problem. It's a tough looking tuner. However, it has the most bizarre signal meter I have ever seen, and if you can get past the signal meter, you'll like the T-85.

BOSS RADIO. In correspondence with Alan Dunn, somehow the call letters WBOS came up, which prompted Alan to relate this amazing tale: "Thirty years ago I used to hang around with one of the transmitter engineers at WBOS. In fact, I would substitute for him occasionally so he could attend night school. Back then (maybe now) a station would have to have its frequency measurements correlated with some very accurate standard. Cambridge Thermionic in Cambridge, MA across the river from Boston is one company that did this. One night they called the WBOS transmitter and asked if WBOS would be dropping carrier after the 2am signoff. WBOS said yes, but wondered why Cambridge Thermionic would need to know this. They apparently had the contract to monitor the frequency of the Wilkes-Barre station (from Cambridge, no less). They stated they could not hear audio, but could get enough signal to do the frequency measurement. And they did this every month. As a Dxer, that blew my mind." I think we need to bring in Mulder and Scully for this one. You know, I can hear WMGS sometimes, but not daily. And we get these deadband conditions here in the winter when I can't even hear New York City. So how did Cambridge Thermionics do it? Hmmm?

RDS IN THE USA. Here is part of a post that appeared on amfintvdx from a Dxer living in Florida, originally from the St. Louis area. If you wondered if US stations used RDS, read on: "Out of 24 strong semi-local stations I get on my Grundig Satellit 700 portable, which has RDS, only 5 of them are received using RDS. Of these, WOMX-105.1 Orlando indicates "MIX 105.1" instead of its call, WTBT-103.5 Bradenton-Tampa still indicates its former call WDUV, which is now WDDV-92.1 Venice-Bradenton "The Dove"...WFLZ Tampa indicates "93.3 FLZ...WJRR-101.1 Cocoa Beach and WAOA-107.1 Melbourne both indicate their calls, the latter has voice unID as "A1A". When living in the St. Louis area the number of RDS'ers was either 5 or 6, among about two dozen strong locals there, with one, KXOK-97.1 indicating

"TOMETTE HAS JOHED PUTTOZA"
"NAST-TOM NOS JOHED PUTTOZA"
"WAST-TOM NOS JOHED PUTTOZA"
"AFFER-AM AS JOHED PUTTOZA"
"WILDWOMAN HAS KOHED PUTTOZA"
"WILDWOMAN HAS KOHED PUTTOZA"

Lester's family could not understand his total before? Right here! See you all next month! -Mike obsession with the #WTFDXA IRC channel.

their non-ID "MIX 97.1" instead of their call. If only more stations would start using RDS, use it for call ID and better yet use it to indicate title and artist of songs being played as this develops, radio may turn out to be more fun in the future."

AUSTRALIAN DIGITAL NEWS. Found a post on the FM/TV/DX Weblist by Robert Copeman that says HSV 7 in Melbourne is using ch6 for digital tests, TCN 9 in Sydney is planning on using ch8 for digital tests from June 14 of this year until late August. Most major capitol cities will switch from ch2 to ch12 DTV, ch7 to ch6 DTV, ch9 to ch8 DTV and ch10 to Ch11 DTV. He also says: "The digital signal appears as a darker form of white noise and completely blocks other possible analog DX signals on that frequency." And where have we heard that hefore? Bight heart Sea you all next month! Mike

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in northwest New Jersey.
All calendars in your home
should be highlighted for
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HOW MUCH

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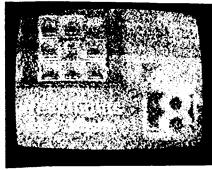
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Some excellent tropo was logged by Danny Oglethorpe, Shreveport, LA, last fall. Take a look!





WKBT-8 La Crosse, WI 801 mi Tr seen 10/10/98 @0450 CT "what a catch!" -{TK WBXX-20 Crossville, TN 557 mi Tr seen 11/15/98 @2300 CT



WWTO-35 La Salle, IL 669 mi Tr seen 11/16/98 @0200 CT



WTCT-27 Marion, IL 459 mi Tr seen 11/16/98 @0900 CT **Photo News**

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KAQY-11 Columbia, LA 101 mi Tr seen 10/98

And finally we wrap up Danny's photos with a look at last summer's E-skip catches:



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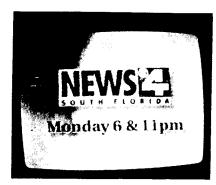
CHRO-5 Pembroke, ON 1287 mi Es seen 6/1/98 @ 1700 CT "6 PM nxcast" CKCO2-2 Wiarton, ON 1103 mi Es seen 8/6/98 @1335 CT "CKCO/CTV nx promo"





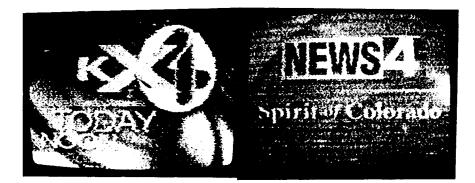


More 4's for the 4th!!





WFOR-4 Miami, FL 939 mi Es seen 7/31/98 @1350 CT WCIV-4 Charleston, SC 805 mi Es seen 8/6/98 @1000 CT "CCI from WFOR-4"



KXJB-4 Valley City, ND 1028 mi Es seen 8/4/98 @1029 CT KCNC-4 Denver, CO 806 mi Es seen 8/3/98 @1815 CT











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Sometimes the more things change, the MORE they change. The Galaxy 1 and Satcom 4 digital line-ups that changed recently - changed again almost as soon as the postmark was put on my last column. Here comes another list of changes.

Satcom C1 -

9 - now only Fox Sports Midwest VC2

10 - Satellite Sports Network Extra 2 VC2 - now here

15 - delete Sports Channel Florida GALAXY 1

112 - HBO Comedy East 114 - HBO Comedy West

115 - HBO Zone East 117 - HBO Zone west

150 - Starz East 151 - Starz West 152 - Starz 2 East 153 - Starz 2 West 154 - BET Movies east 156 - Starz

Family East 158 - Starz Cinema East159 - Starz Cinema

West 165 - Encore east 166 - Encore West 167 - Westerns

East 168 - Westerns West 169 - Love Stories east

170 - Love Stories West 171 - Mysteries east 172 -

Mysteries West 173 - Action East 174 - Action - West

175 - True Stories East 176 - True Stories West

177 - WAM East

SATMEX 5 - all digital services on Solidaridad 1 have now moved to this bird - 750 through 759 - only ID tent is music videos on 751

765 through 776 - 766 - Mexican Senate noted - 770 -

V TV(Ventas for TV)? 774 - Color bars

780 through 793 remains the educational services TELSTAR 5

11 - delete Exxxtasy

14 - delete True Blue

TELSTAR 7

LOTS of CBS feeds appearing on this bird and others seem to be disappearing from Galaxy 6.

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10 - Shop-At-Home

22 - delete CBS News Channel

GALAXY 7 KU - using the generic designator KF the

following changes are noted -

181 - Discovery Home 200 - Americas Voice 223 - ZDTV

226 - The Weather Channel Weather Scan 242 - Golf Channel

246 - Game Show Channel 253 - TV Land 308 - Toon Disney

404 - Spice 2 412 - BET On Jazz 413 - Sundance Channel

West delete 414 up to 440453 - ESPN Classics 483 -

Much Music

TELSTAR 402

4 - delete Shop-At-Home 5 - True Blue VC2

17 Exxxtasy VC2

PANAMSAT 5

some digital channels on this bird - Warner Channel and Sony Entertainment Channel are in Portuguese

Sympathies to Mexican readers on the untimely death of Paco Stanley - one of the founders of TV Azteca and a great entertainer.

That's all for this time - see you in 30

George



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ABBREVIATIONS: &: satellite programming AF: New frequency

allocation accepted for filing for a new FM license AFA: American Family

Association CC: call letter change CL: city of license change CX: a construction permit has been canceled

C1,C2,etc: a change in status to that FM license class directional antenna DE: station has been deleted

FC: format change GA: granted amendment to the table of FM allocations GE: granted extension of

construction permit

PHONE: (609) 883-3321, FAX: (609) 883-5696, E-MAIL: MstreetTom@aol.com

(CX: granted replacement of expired permit
LC: Hicense to cover filed (means station is ready to GC: frequency change)

(means station is ready to GC: frequency change) come on air)

MC: multiple-city legal ID

no change yet on a reported change/permit non-directional antenna NO: not on the air

new station granted NW: new station signs on OSA: one-step application granted for change

proposed amendment to change FM table of allocation

power change on the air for increase, "<" for decrease, when known)

occurred

QG: frequency change granted RA: silent station returns to air RE: station requests extension

permit station requests replacement οf expired permit

SG: slogan change or update station is silent XA: dismissed amendment to

FM allocations transmitter site change occurred

XG: transmitter site change granted



UNITED STATES

ALABAMA:

Dothan: WESP 102.5 PG> 16.5 kW, 403 ft. XG: 31-15-48 / 85-18-24

E.Brewton: WGCX 95.7GA: to Navarre, FL, class C3 Eutaw: WQZZ 104.3 FC to R&B oldies

ALASKA:

Anchorage: KASH 107.5 adds Nashville Nights Anchorage: KYMG 98.9 adds Delilah Houston: KADX 94.7 NW. sports // KAXX Juneau: KAKZ 102.7 inc. to -417 ft. XG: 58-17-09 / 134-25-40

Kasilof: KWJG 91.5 NW, oldies & variety King Cove: *NS 88.1 100w(v), -554 ft, DA Valdez: KVAK 93.3 NW, hot AC and classic rock (&)



ARIZONA:

Casa Grande: KLVA 105.5 XG: 33-00-14 / 111-58-53

Congress: *** 96.3 PA; add class A Douglas: KEAL 95.3 FC to WW1 adult rock (&) Flagstaff: KNAU 88.7 inc. to 1447 ft, XG: 34-58-

07 / 111-30-24 Flagstaff: *** 103.7 PA: add C2

Florence: KCDX 103.1 PG< 2.7 kW, 3057 ft, ND, XG: 33-17-55 / 110-50-28

Mountainaire: *** 106.5PA: add class A

Oracle: KGMG 106.3 CC (ex KIXD) "Mega" Sedona: KQST 102.9 FC to CHR "Q 102.9" Winona: 96.3 PA: add C3

ARKANSAS:

Atkins: KRRD 99.3 NW, classic rock (Sept.) Fordyce: KQEW 102.3 OSA to C3, 25 kW, 328 ft, DA, XG: 33-57-49 / 92-29-09

Harrisburg: KKEY 95.9 NW, oldies Monticello: KHBM 93.5 PA: to 93.7 - C2

Mountain Home: KKTZ 107.5 PG< 90 kW, 1017 ft, XG: 36-29-13 / 92-29-39

CALIFORNIA:

Atwater: KJMQ 92.5 CC (ex KVRQ) "Jammin" Auburn: KHYL 101.1 FC to rhythmic oldies Beaumont: KAEH 100.9 PG> 1.5 kW, 478 ft. XG: 33-54-29 / 116-59-45

Bishop: *NS 88.5 900w, 2916 ft. DA Carmel Valley: *** 105.9 PA: add class A Cloverdale: *** 102.7 PA: add class A Concord: KVHS 90.5 XG: 38-01-49 / 122-00-03

Davis: KHZZ 104.3 PC> 6kW, 328 ft. Easton: 107.9 PA, add class A

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California: E.Porterville: KMQA 100.5 CC (ex KOJJ) "La Maquina Musical*

Hamilton City: *** 101.7 PA: add class A Hanford: KGEN 94.5 inc. to 446 ft. Herlong: *** 104.1 PA: add class C2

Inglewood: KACE 103.9 PC> 4.1 kW

Lenwood: KIXW 107.3 PG< 1 kW, 781 ft. XG: 34-58-15 / 117-02-22

Lost Hills: *** 105.7 PA: add class A Maricopa: *** 94.9 PA: add class A

Merced: KABX 97.5 PG< 8 kW, 1161 ft, XG: 37-26-44 / 120-08-37

Mettier: *** 98.9 PA: add class A

Modesto: KJSN 102.3 dec. to 289 ft, XG: 37-40-50 / 120-55-26

Point Reves Stn: KWMR 90.5 LC San Fran: KEAR 106.9 dec. to 1000 ft.

XC: 37-51-04 / 122-29-50 Santa Margarita: KKAL 106.1 FC to Real Country (&) (San Luis Obispo)

Summit City: *** 92.1 PA: add class A

COLORADO:

Del Norte: *** 96.3 PA: add class A Delta: KKNN 95.1 FC to rock "95 Rock" Dinosaur: *** 97.3 PA: add class C1 Dove Creek: *** 102.5 PA: add class C3 Durango: KIQX 101.3 OSA to 30 kW, 2014 ft,

XG: 37-21-46 / 107-47-37 Durango: KRSJ 100.5 OSA to class C, 30 kW, 1965 ft. XG: 37-21-46 / 10747-37

Florence: K216EF 91.1 NS-14w: KCME 88.7 Greeley: KVOD 92.5 FC to rhythmic oldies (Denver)

Poncha Sps: *** 97.5 PA: add class A Pueblo West:KYZX103.9 QC from 104.5, PC< 1750w, 2158 ft, XC: 38-44-40 / 104-51-41, CL change from Pueblo

Rangely: *** 103.7 PA: add class C1 Silverton: KBNG 103.7 CC (NS)

Starkville: *NS 91.1 AF

Telluride: KRYD 104.9 OSA to C1, 25.5 kW, 1643 ft. XG: 37-59-57 / 107-57-42

KSKE 104.7 dec to 335 ft.

CONNECTICUT:

Storrs: WHUS 91.7 dec. to 1028w(h), 4.4 kW (v), 492 ft, DA

FLORIDA:

Century: WPFL 105.1 RA with oldies (&) Cross City: *** 97.7 XA: add class A

Dade City: WMGG 96.1 CC (ex WBDN) "La Mega" Havana: WHTF 104.9 FC to CHR "Hot 104.9", CC (ex WFLV) (Tallahassee)

Kissimmee: WWKQ 89.1 XG:28-10-27 / 81-17-01 Melbourne: WCIF 106.3 PC> 12.5 kW, 446 ft.

Florida:

Monticello: WVHT 105.7 CC (ex WTAL-FM), FC to urban "Hot 105.7" (Tallahassee) "Very Hot" Sarasota: WCTQ 106.5 PC> 13 kW, 584 ft, DA, C2, XC: 27-32-42 / 82-34-27

Tallahassee: WWLD 106.1 XG: 30-23-09 / 84-16-34 Tavernier: WKEZ 96.9 CC (ex WIFL) "Keys" White City: WFLM 104.7 PC< 17.5 kW, 390 ft. XC: 27-26-08 / 80-22-40

GEORGIA:

Helen: WTFH 89.9 CC (NS) Macon: WBKG 88.9 2.2 kW, 239 ft. (AFA), CC (NS)

WBMZ 103.7 FC to classic hits Metter: Savannah: WLXP 88.1 NW, contemp. Christian The Rock: *NS 88.9 5 kW, 764 ft.

Toccoa: WSTE 106.1 PC< 98 kW, 1132', C1

HAWAII:

Captain Cook: *** 93.1 PA: add class C1 Hanamaulu: *** 101.1 PA: add class C1 Hanapepe:*** 94.3 PA: add class C1 Holualoa: *** 92.1 PA: add class C2 Honokaa: *** 102.9 PA: add class C2 Honolulu: KORL 99.5 FC to soft AC & Hawaiian Honolulu: KAIM 95.5 dec. to 1853 ft. DA Kihei: 107.5 PA: add class C2 Kurtistown: *** 102.1 PA; add class A Nanakuli: *** 106.9 PA; add class A Wahiawa: *** 103.7 PA: add class A

IDAHO:

Blackfoot: KCVI 101.5 FC to modern rock "K-Bear" Bruneau: *** 102.5 PA; add class C1 Grand View: *** 93.5 PA: add class A Hazelton: *** 94.3 PA: add class C3 Homedate: KBNH 106.3 CC (NS) Kimberly: *** 106.1 PA: add class C3 Kootenai: *** 106.7 PA: add class A 97.3 PA: add class C Kuna: 99.9 PA: add class C2 Melba: KQXR 100.3 drops Mark & Brian Pavette: KBJX 107.9 QG to 106.3 - C1, dec. to 636 ft., XG: 43-32-35 / 111-53-07

ILLINOIS:

*NS 88.1 AF Athens:

Bethalto: WFUN 95.5 OSA to C3, 24.5 kW, 335 ft, XG: 38-48-38 / 9-17-38

Canton: WBYS 107.9 FC to Jones soft AC "Lite" (&), PG> 25 kW, 269 ft, XG: 40-32-41 / 90-01-16

Centralia: WRXX 95.3 FC to classic hits Gridley: *NS 90.3 AF

Kankakee: WAWF 88.3 PG> 1,250w, 285 ft, XG: 41-04-39 / 87-45-22

Loves Park: WGSL 91.1 PG> 7 kW, 528 ft, DA, XG: 42-19-20 / 89-00-41



Illinois:

Marseilles: WKOT 96.5 PG< 2.5 kW, XG: 41-18-33 / 88-48-45

Mt.Olive: WAOX 105.3 CC (ex WSTN)

Mt. Sterling: WLRT 106.7 FC to oldies "Golden 106.7"
Petersburg: "NS 88.1 AF

Pingree Grove: *NS 88.5 AF Spring Valley: *NS 88.1 AF

INDIANA:

Goshen: WZOW 97.7 adds ABC clas. rock (&) Greencastle: *NS 90.5 AF

Jeffersonville: WQMF 95.7 XG: 38-06-16 / 85-56-06 Ladoga: *NS 89.1 AF

Roanoke: WYSR 94.1 FC to rhythmic oldies (&) Rochester: *NS 88.5 AF

IOWA:

Alta: KBVU 97.5 NW, modern / top 40 "The Edge"

Belle Plaine: KZAT 95.5 adds ABC oldies at night (&)

Ft. Madison: KBKB101.7 FC to country "The Bull" Ida Grove: KIDA 92.9 PC> 25 kW, 328 ft,

XC: 42-29-23 / 95-17-40

Keokuk: KRNQ 96.3 NW, smooth jazz (a new format is expected soon)

Moville: *** 97.1 PA: add class A Rockford: *** 92.9 PA: add class A

KANSAS:

Coffeyville: KUSN 98.9 PG< 3.2 kW, 453 ft.
Dearing: *NS 98.1 OSA to 9.7 kW, C3, 495'
Hays: *NS 91.7 AF
Humboldt: KINZ 94.3 SG *Z 94.3*

KENTUCKY:

Benton: WCBL 99.1 XG: 36-51-31 / 88-20-11
Bowling Green: WDNS 93.3 SG *D93* classic rock
Campton: WCBJ 103.7 NW, classic rock
Eminence: WXLM 105.7 FC to bluegrass // WKXF
Glasgow: WOVO 105.3 FC to classic hits
Jefferson: WMJM 101.3 FC to rhythmic oldies
Morehead: WMOR 106.1 FC to hot AC
Radcliff: WASE 103.5 PC 7 kW, 541 ft, ND,
XC: 36-48-57 / 85-46-49

Shepherdsville: WXLN 105.1 FC to cont. Christian Wickliffe: WGKY 95.9 XG: 36-56-17 / 88-58-01

LOUISIANA:

Amelia: *** 97.7 PA: add class C3
Arcadia: *** 94.1 PA: add class C3 (replaces 92.5 – A)
Bastrop: *** 93.9 PA: add class A (from C3)

Bastrop: KTRY 94.3 PA: to 93.9 – A
Buras: *** 103.7 PA: add class C2
Golden Meadow: *** 105.7 PA: add class C2
Lake Arthur: KRAW 107.5 adds Neon Nights
Leesville: KJAE 92.7 GA: to 93.5 – C3

New Orleans: WWNO 89.9 PG> 85 kW (v), 748 ft, DA, XG: 29-55-11 / 90-01-29

WYTYO 89.9FM

| Louisiana:

Rayville: KTJC 92.3 FC to WW1 oldies (&), OSA to C3, 11.5 kW (cir), 485 ft, XC: 32-29-01 / 91-54-10

Reserve: WADU 94.9 FC to country // WYLA 94.7
"Lake Country" (New Orleans)

Ruston: KNBB 99.3 NW Radio One a/c (&) "B 99.3" (Monroe)

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MAINE'S

MAINE:

Madison: WIGY 97.5 FC to sports // WSKW-AM Sanford: WPHX 92.1 CC (ex WCDQ), FC to modern rock (Portsmouth, NH) (WPHX will start simulcasting WFNX 101.7 Lynn, MA)

MARYLAND:

Bethesda: WMMJ 102.3 XC: 38-56-10 / 77-05-33,

MASSACHUSETTS:

N.Adams: WMNB 100.1 PC> 1.3 kW Winchendon: *NS 91.1 AF Worcester:WBPR 91.9 PC< 870w, 285 ft, DA, XG: 42-15-15 / 71-57-36

MICHIGAN:

Ann Arbor: WUOM 91.7 XG: 42-24-27 / 83-54-50 Baldwin: W201CF 88.1 NS-13w; KAWZ-ID Bear Lake: WSRQ100.1 CC (ex WZTU), RA with CHR "Star-FM" (Northwest Lower Michigan) Benton Hbr. WHFB 99.9 dec. to 407 ft. Beulah: WBVE 92.1 RA, CHR // WSRQ 100.1 Detroit: WXDG 105.1 PG< 13.5 kW, 955 ft. 88.1 3 kW (v), 128 ft. Gaylord: *NS Gulliver: WCMM 94.7 PA: to 102.5 - C1 Vassar: WOWE 98.9 FC to rhythmic oldies Whitehall: WEFG 97.5 FC to WW1 rhythmic oldies (&)

MINNESOTA:

Babbitt: KAOD 106.7 NW, modern AC "Kiss" // WWAX

Bemidji: KBHP 101.1 inc. to 522 ft. Bemidji: KKZY 95.5 NW, a/c Brainerd: *NS 88.3 Minn. Public Radio

Crosby: KTCF 101.5 XC: 46-33-52 / 93-57-03 Grand Marais: *NS 89.7 Minn. Public Radio Grand Marais: WXXZ 95.3 NW, modern AC "Kiss" //

WWAX Int'l Falls: *NS 91.9 1.5 kW, 128 ft. (MN Christian Broadcasters)

Monticello: *NS 89.5 AF Moose Lake: KBFH 107.1 OSA to PG< 100 w, class

Park Rapids: KDKK 97.5 SG "Music Of Your Life" and "Star Station" and "K-D-Double K"

MISSISSIPPI:

Heidelburg: WEEZ 99.3 FC to oldies (&) // WHER McLain: WXAB 96.9 NW, oldies (July) North Tunica: *** 98.7 PA: add class A Ocean Springs: WQYZ 92.5 inc. to 321 ft., DA, XG: 30-27-09 / 88-51-21

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Mississippi:
Olive Branch: WOTO 95.7 CC (ex WRXQ) "Only
The Oldies" (Memphis)

Oxford: WOXD 95.5 PC> 6 kW
Ripley: WKZU 102.3 PC> 6 kW, 285 ft.
Tunica: WMPS 96.1 FC to modern AC

Vicksburg: WBBV 101.3 QC from 101.1, adds Neon Nights

MISSOURI:

Cameron: KNOZ 100.1 SG "The Lake"
Caruthersville: KLOW 105.1 PC> 4.8 kW, 328 ft.
Festus: KTBJ 89.3 PG>1150w, DA, XG: 38-13-

56 / 90-23-51 Miner: KBHI 107.1 XG: 36-56-33 / 89-41-47 Southwest City: KWMQ 100.3 FC to soft AC (&) Wheeling: KULH 105.9 NW, classic rock (&)

MONTANA:

Billings: *NS 88.1 AF
Conrad: KEIN 93.7 FC to WW1 hot country (&)

Deer Lodge: KQRV 96.5 GA: to 96.9 - C1 Hamilton: KBMG 95.9 GA: to 96.3 - C

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WDE OPEN W COUNTRY

Hamilton: *NS 90.3 AF Helena: KUHM 91.7 NW, info/variety // KUFM

Lewistown: *NS 91.1 AF

Shelby: KZIN 96.3 GA: to 96.7 - C1

NEBRASKA:

Nebraska City: KESY 97.7 FC to dance-CHR "Channel 9-7-7" (Omaha) Ravena: **** 103.1 PA: add class C2

NEVADA:

Pioche: KBZB 98.9 CC (ex KAXA)

NEW HAMPSHIRE:

Gorham: WXLQ 107.1 FC to WW1 a/c (&)

NEW JERSEY:

Asbury Park: WYGG 88.1 XG: 40-13-01 / 74-00-35
Cape May CH: *NS 88.1 AF
Egg Harbor City: WEMG 104.9 CC (ex WRDR)
"Mega" (Atlantic City), FC to Spanish dance
Ocean City: WTKU 98.3 adds Rhythmic oldies from

6 – 9 pm (Atlantic City)
Woodbine: WJPH 88.9 NW, MGS cont. Christian
(&)

NEW MEXICO:

Cloudcroft: *NS 88.9 100w, 1187 ft.
Farmington: *NS 89.7 AF, KUTE, Inc.
Red River: KRDR 90.1 PG> 10 kW (v), 95 ft, C3,
XG: 36-41-03 / 105-22-22
Tularosa: *** 102.7 PA: add class C3
White Rock: KSFQ101.1 FC to classic hits, PC> 6

kW. 1850 ft. C3, XC: 35-53-09 / 106-23-16

28.7CBA-FM

NEW YORK:

Altamont: WZMR 104.9 CC (ex WAAP) "Z 104.9"
Canton: WRCD 101.5 CC (ex WXQZ), FC to classic rock (&) (Ogdensburg)

Corning: WCBA 98.7 PC< 1.2 kW, 722', DA Fenner: WXXE 90.5 PG 49w, 413 ft,

XG: 42-58-12 / 75-47-07

Gouverneur: WGIX 95.3 still oldies no longer // WSLB-AM

Jewett: WRIP 97.9 NW, soft AC (in July)
Kingston: WBPM 94.3 FC to rhythmic oldies
Lake Placid: W208AR 89.5 NS-10w: WJIS-FL
Olean: WMXO 101.5 XG: 42-06-18 / 78-23-25

Oneonta: WZOZ 103.1 FC to classic hits
Phoenix: WRDS 102.1 XG: 43-06-04 / 76-16-58,

Phoenix: WRDS 102.1 XG: 43-06-04 / /6-16-56 inc. to 266 ft.

Ravena: WABY 94.5 FC to ABC "45+" a/c (&) Willsboro: WXPS 96.7 PC< 1 kW, 797 ft, XC: 44-24-12 / 73-26-02, CL change from Vergennes, VT

NORTH CAROLINA:

Asheboro: WTJY 89.5 NW, southern gospel // WXRI

Boiling Springs: WGWG 88.3 FC to A/C, cont. Christian and jazz

Calabash: WYNA 104.9 inc. to 338 ft.

Columbia: WERX 102.5 PC> 64 kW, CL from Edenton, NC

Edenton: WBXB 100.1 inc. to 492 ft, ND, XG: 36-18-18 / 75-52-56

Greensboro: WQMG 97.1 XG: 35-56-42 / 79-51-45, decrease to 1230 ft.

Rocky Mount: WRQM 90.9 FC to info & classical // WUNC 91.5

Wilmington: WRQR 104.5 PG< 3.1 kW, 449 ft, XG: 34-10-00 / 77-56-40

Witmington: WDVV 89.7 CC (ex WBID), NW, religion, to sign on in August, "The Dove"

NORTH DAKOTA:

Lincoln: *NS 88.5 A

OHIO:

Crestline: WYXZ 98.7 FC to WW1 adult rock (&)
Fairfield: WMOJ 94.9 CC (ex WVAE), "Mojo 94.9"
Lorain: WZLE 104.9 FC to CHR "Kiss 104.9"
Rushville: WLRY 88.5 NW, cont. Christian

South Webster: WZIO 94.9 FC to rhythmic oldies (&)

OKLAHOMA:

Colony: *** 105.1 PA: add class A Frederick: KYBE 95.9 PC> 6 kW, 249 ft. Perry: KOSB 105.1 FC to classic hits

<u>OREGON:</u>

Baker: *NS 90.7 AF (AFA)

Coos Bay: *NS 91.3 AF
Portland: KXJM 95.5 CC (ex KXL) "Jammin"

Reedsport:KRBZ 99.5 FC to WW1 a/c (&)



PENNSYLVANIA:

Philadelphia: WXXM 95.7 FC to rhythmic oldies "Jammin"

Pittsburgh: WJJJ 104.7 FC to rhythmic oldies Wilkes-Barre: WMGS 92.9 XC: 41-10-56 / 75-52-23

SOUTH CAROLINA:

Batesburg: WZMJ 93.1 CC (ex WKWQ), FC to urban AC in June (Columbia) Beaufort: WYKZ 98.7 XC: 32-19-43 / 80-56-17.

increase to 715 ft. Chesterfield: *NS 89.3 AF

Marion: WFSF 100.5 CC (ex WBZF) "Star" Orangeburg: WXHT 103.9 CC (ex WKSO), FC to urban, adding Doug Banks

Parris Is: WGZO 103.1 FC to CHR "Z 103.1" Summerville: W220CM 91.9 NS-38w, DA: WLFJ-SC

TENNESSEE:

Baxter: WBXE 93.7 FC to adult rock (&) Bethel Sps: *** 97.7 PA: add class A Dickson: WNRZ 91.5 no longer // WNAZ Nashville, still religious AC "Spirit FM" WMUF 104.7 NW, country (&) Livingston: WUSV 95.9 CC (ex WCSD) "US 96" WLZK 94.1 CC (ex WMUF), FC to a/c (&)

TEXAS:

Alice: 88.1 AF Azle: KZMP 101.7 CC (ex KIKM), RA with reg. Mexican // AM (Dallas), "Z-Spanish" Camp Wood: KAYG 99.1 PA; to 98.1 - C3 Center: KDET 102.3 QG to 100.5 PG< 2050w. 567 ft, XG: 31-43-34 / 94-15-27 Centerville: KAJG 105.9 LC Daingerfield: KKLK 106.9 PG> 8.2 kW, 502 ft, C3. XG: 32-41-54 / 94-37-04, CL: Ore City, TX

Dallas: KLUV 98.7 inc. to 1663 ft. Eastland: KVMX 96.7 OSA to C3, 100 kW, 426 ft, XG: 32-24-24 / 99-27-26, CL: Baird, TX Edna: K209DB 89.7 NS-50w: KCZO

Gainesville: K206CD 89.1 NS-250w: KPFC Glen Rose: KTFW 92.1 PC> 25 kW, 1417 ft, C1, XC: 32-16-31 / 98-01-22

Highland Park: KVIL 103.7 inc. to 1653 ft. KHYI 95.3 adds Jones classic country nights (&), still Americana elsewhere (Dallas)

Huntington: KYBI 101.9 FC to WW1 a/c (&) Llano: 106.5 PA: add class A

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Ranchera (&) (Dallas) Monahans: KFZX 102.1 CC (ex KCDQ)

Odessa: KLVW 99.1 XG: 31-50-53 / 107-27-04 Plainview: KVOP 106.9 NW, a/c (&) CC (ex KHDY) Texas:

Plainview: KHDY 97.3 CC (ex KVOP), reported SI Plainview: *NS 88.5 3 kW, 282 ft.

Port Lavaca:K220HF 91.9 NS-250w: KCZO 92.1 Rio Grande City: KCTM 103.1 QG to 107.5 - C2. 12 kW, 994', DA, XG: 26-31-01 / 98-39-07

Terrell: KRVF 107.1 CC (ex KZDL), FC to Ranchera (&) // KRVA 106.9 (Dallas) Victoria: KVLT 92.3 PC> 6 kW, 298 ft. DA.

XC: 28-46-04 / 96-59-12 Wake Village: KBHA 92.5 PA: to class C3 (from class A)

Winona: KBKV 102.7 OSA to C3, 9.3 kW, 531', XG: 32-23-09 / 95-06-43

Winters: KAFR 96.1 OSA to C2, 50 kW, 492 ft. CC (ex KLGD)

Woodville: KVLL 94.7 FC to Hot Country (&)

UTAH:

Brigham City: KRAR 106.9 FC to soft AC "Cosy" // KOSY (Salt Lake City)

Logan: KBLQ 92.9 adds Delilah

Logan: KVFX 94.5 FC to CHR "VFX 94.5" Salt Lake City: KRCL 90.9 PG> 25 kW, XG: 40-39-34 / 112-12-05

Salt Lake City: KCPW 88.3 PG> 2350w, -200 ft, DA. XG: 40-45-48 / 111-53-23

Toeele: KUUU 92.1 PC> 9.7 kW (h), 531 ft.

VERMONT:

Addison: WRRO 93.7 CC (ex WWFY), NW, classic rock

Middlebury: WWFY 100.9 CC (ex WGTK), FC to a/c

VIRGINIA:

Jonesville: WJNV 99.1 PG 4 kW, 403 ft, XG: 36-42-05 / 83-10-14

Staunton: WTON 94.3 adds Delilah Virginia Beach: *NS 102.1 6 kW, 167 ft.

WASHINGTON:

Bremerton: KRWM 106.9 PG< 49 kW, 1299', DA Chehalis: K220HE 91.9 NS-13w(v): KAWZ-ID Ellensburg: KCWU 88.1 NW, modern rock & variety Hoquiam: KGHO 95.3 FC to classic hits Naches: KREW 99.3 CC (NS), CC (ex KBMU) KQWS 90.1 NW, info & talk // KWSU Omak: Seattle: KQBZ 100.7 CC (ex KIRO) "The Buzz" Spokane: KWHK 103.9 adds Bob & Tom, CC (ex KNJY) "The Hawk"

Spokane: KEZE 96.9 OSA to C2, 8.2 kW, 1197 ft, DA, XG: 49-43-33 / 117-10-66

Walla Walla: KHSS 100.7 FC to Unica Spanish talk

The Mid-Ohio

Valley's Home of Classic Rock FM NEWS PAGE 6

WEST VIRGINIA: Elizabeth: WRZZ 106.1 FC to ABC classic rock (&), John Boy & Billy in AM (Parkersburg)

Fisher: WQWV 103.7 RA with Jones a/c (&)

WISCONSIN:

Brookfield: WMJO 106.9 CC (ex WPNT) "Jammin' Oldies" (Milwaukee)

Forestville:WRKU 102.1 PG< 400 w. 492 ft. XG: 44-42-26 / 87-24-26

Kewaunee: WAUN 92.7 RA with country "Moo 92" Lomira: WFDL 97.7 PG> 25 kW, 328 ft, C3, XG: 43-42-32 / 88-13-14

Michicot: WGBM 94.7 PA; from class A to C3 Milwaukee: WKTI 94.5 dec. to 754 ft.

Platteville: WPVL 107.1 PG< 4.2 kW, 394 ft. XG: 42-41-27 / 90-37-26

Port Washington: WGLB 100.1 FC to Jones classic rock, keeps Imus in the AM (&)

Siren: WBEP 105.7 XG: 45-49-43 / 92-28-41



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WYOMING:

Cheyenne: KIGN 97.9 inc. to 810', XG: 40-53-42 / 105-11-38 (xmtr located in Colorado) Wheatland: *** 106.5 PA: add class C1

PUERTO RICO:

Camuy: WDIN 102.9 inc. to 892 ft, XG: 18-17-34

Carolina: WVOZ 107.7 PC> 12 kW, 2758 ft.



CANADA

ALBERTA:

Calgary: CHKF 94.7 NW, ethnic

BRITISH COLUMBIA:

Courtenay: CKLR 97.3 NW. a/c Victoria: CIOC 98.5 PG< 47 kW

MANITOBA:

Indian Lake: CINC 96.9 wants low power xmtr here Waterhen Ind. Res: CINC 93.5 wants low power here

NEW BRUNSWICK:

Antigonish: CJFX 98.9 NW, a/c // AM

ONTARIO:

Michipicoten: *NS 100.7 CJWA wants 5 w relay here Welland: CHOW 91.7 QC from 1470, 25 kW

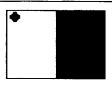
QUÉBEC:

Havre-St-Pierre: *NS 92.5 25.3 kW, (to relay CBSI-FM, replacing 7 low power AM relayers) Montreal: CBME 88.5 wants PG> 16.9 kW Ste-Anne-de-Beaupre: *NS 89.9 124 w (to relay CBVX-FM)

Thetford Mines: CKLD 105.5 PG> 6 kW, AM station to go dark August 31, 1999 Trois-Pistoles: CJTF 93.9 dec. to 42 watts

SASKATCHEWAN:

Canoe Lake: CFCK 103.9 RA with variety



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Gozo: Calypso 102 -- 102.3

Malta: Capital Radio - 88.7

Bay Radio Malta (with RDS) - 89.7 Malta:

Malta: FM Bronia - 91.7 Malta: Super One Radio - 92.7

Live FM - 100.2 Malta: Malta: Radio 101 - 101.0

Malta: Island Sound - 100.8 Malta: RTK Radio - 103.0 Radio Mas - 103.7 Malta:

Malta: Radio Smash (with RDS) - 104.6

Marsa: Super One Radio - 88.2 Mtarfa: Radio Malta 2 - 93.7





PIRATE WATCH:

 LANCASTER, PA. A pirate operating here on 106.3 was seized by the FCC on May 3, 1999. The station had been running with the slogan of "Radio Vida". FCC agents allege the station could be received twenty miles away, well above the limit for unlicensed stations. The FCC claims it was 31,000 times above the legal limit. (Does this mean 3.1 kW?)

 PITTSBURGH. PA. The FCC, with cooperation from the FBI, closed down Mark Lange's "Radio Carson", which operated on

91.7.

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· In Cleveland there are now two stations using the "Kiss" slogan. As we read last month, WENZ 107.9 changed from modern rock to urban, and began using the "Kiss" slogan, first. The change

occurred after playing 23 straight hours of "The End Of The World As We Know It', by R.E.M. This was the same song the modern rock



300 Washington Avenue Lorain, Ohio 44052

station debuted with in 1992 (after changing from top 40 WPHR "Power 108"). Well, after this. WZLE 104.9 Lorain has changed to a top 40 format, but also using "Kiss-FM". WENZ might not be THAT concerned, as 104.9 has a very hard time covering all of metro Cleveland. They have no signal in the important east-side suburbs, covering basically only west of the city. They cannot even be heard in places like Akron. WKKY 104.7 (Geneva) and WQXK 105.1 (Salem) adjacent interference, as well as just weak signal are the culprits.

- FCC Update: The time window for commenting on the important LPFM proposal has been extended by 60 days, until August 2nd (The NAB and CPB wanted to extend the deadline even further). This means reply comments will be due on September 1st. The time will likely be used for further testing. We'll let you know when we know more!
- . The new "Jammin' Oldies" format of rhythm. & blues and soul oldies continues to be all the rage in the United States. One needs to look only at the numerous changes to that format in this month's column (as well as the last few months). This format shows no sign of slowing

down, so if vou don't have one in your area yet, keep tuned! On a personal note, I find the format interesting, and



LA'S JAMMIN OLDIES



something new to listen to. However, if the stations stick to a tight 300 song playlist, like the "All 70's" format did a few years ago. I have to wonder if high burnout will mean the formats popularity will be short lived (like the 70's format

- · Doug Smith writes about a handy program he has located on the Internet. Robert Carpenter's "TVFMSTNS" program will read the FCC TV-FM database for you, and display technical information, such as power, tower height, co-ordinates, etc. It will even plot the directional pattern of the station, and determine distance and bearing to several reference More information is available at http://www.csvhfs.org under the "Software Downloads' link.
- Bill Draeb writes with some FM updates from his home area of Kewaunee, Wisconsin. Firstly, WAUN 92.7 Kewaunee has returned to the air. but no longer running polka music (despite the complaints of many area residents). The station is now "Moo 92", with mainstream country music. According to a local newspaper article. the station, along with WSRG 97.7 Sturgeon Bay ("Star 97") have been acquired by Magnum Broadcasting, Inc., which runs other stations in the state. In addition to the country music, the station also wants to present itself as a good source of agricultural information. That is partly the reason for the "Moo" slogan. The station has acquired the Green Bay area rights to the Chicago based AgriVoice Network, which carries agricultural information for the region. Along these lines, Bill noticed another newspaper article announcing that a new polka formatted station is to debut within a few months. The article says the station will have the call letters WYNO, and be located in Kewaunee County. but not the city of Kewaunee. The organizers are seeing donations of old polka records. Readers are asked to contact them at (920) 388-2516. No other information was available. We'll keep you posted if it turns out to be an FM station. (I haven't seen any such grants.). Bill updates us on a few other new stations soon to sign on in the area as well .. WBDK 96.7 is all set to sign on two sister stations: WRLU 104.1

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Algoma, and WRKU 102.1 Forestville. WRLU is planned to be country, and WRKU is to be oldies. WBDK had run the "Music Of Your Life" format, but dumped that at the start of the year. However, they still run music from the 40's to the 60's. Their president, Roger Ebert, (the movie critic? - grc) has made a generous offer to attempt to jump-start the economy of the counties of Kewaunee and Door. Bill notes that this area is somewhat economically depressed. with rail service to the area being discontinued, and the car ferry also being cut off. Ebert has promised \$10,000 of free advertising to any

JULY 1999 business with more than five employees that relocates to one of these two counties.

 Thanks! To all the contributors to the column this month. Ken Simon provided the information, from the Internet, on the slogans for Maltese radio stations. Thanks for other information appearing here also go out to Matt Sittel, Doug Smith (especially for Canadian information!), Saul Chernos, Dave Nieman, Jeff Kitsko, Chip Kelley, and Mike Lazaro.

NORTHERN FM DX - JULY 1999 ... continued from page 31

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MAY 29, 1999 ES (MOBILE ON INTERSTATE 94: NEAR THE NORTH DAKOTA - MONTANA STATE LINE)

1913 KKZN 93.3 TX Haltom City, local ads for Grapevine and Mesquite malls. 1914 KATT 100.5 OK Oklahoma City tent. With album rock (this was MUF) 870 1917 KQSR 94.7 OK Oklahoma City. "Soft Rock" 870

1921 KKNG 93.3 OK Newcastle, Tent. k.

1923 KXTQ 93.7 TX Lubbock tent. SS 935

1925 KFMX 94.5 TX Lubbock, tent. Rp 935 1930 UNID 92.7 Houston Astros BB

1931 KOMA 92.5 OK Oklahoma City, oldies

93.3 THE ZONE

Quality Rock - True Variety Pre-Set 1 FM Stereo



The skip was a nice surprise. It was hard to enjoy it more because we were going through a bad thunderstorm with heavy rain. The storm featured the most spectacular display of lightning I think I have ever seen. The skip was immediately obvious because the FM dial in that area is so empty (just a few weak signals from Dickinson, and Miles City). The front also brought a massive change in weather, from sunny 80's beforehand, to 40's with wind and rain behind the front in Montana. Too bad it didn't last longer or reach a higher MUF. I still haven't heard skip back here in Buffalo. Lately the weather here has gone from extremes, with two consecutive 90 degree days, followed by drizzly days not getting out of the low 60's. During the warm days, I have noted good Tropo, including lake enhancement both to the SW towards Cleveland & Detroit, and NE towards Ottawa & Watertown, nothing far enough to report. One morning on the way to work I logged new station WZKZ 101.9 Alfred, NY with a strong signal, "KZ Country".

NORTHERN FM DX CONTRIBUTIONS ALL FROM E-MAIL THIS MONTH. I am not positive, but I think this is the first time that has happened. Thanks to all of you who have contributed this way. It has made the column easier, and allows for more recent information, because it doesn't take as long to put together! (Of course all contributions are still welcomed, and encouraged, in any format!!). Here's how you Internet contributors can make my life even easier ... PLEASE submit your reports in a format as close to the standard logging as possible. That means the items should be in the correct order and format; Separate line for date & propagation, then a line with items in this order: time-callsfreq.-state-city-comments-distance (if you have it). Some reports that have been format otherwise have been somewhat of a problem to reorganize. Also, IF your program can do this, please separate calls, freq., etc. with the TAB key. This works better than single spaces. If you can't do TABs, always separate with the same number of spaces (such as 3 for example), so I can replace those with tabs. I do the column in Word 97, so I can take that, Excel 97, or any format those programs can read. I can still of course do regular e-mail, or text files (separated by text or commas if possible). Feel free to write with questions. Thanks in advance for your support!!

TV News

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non-commercial station

nc no change

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Applications to amend the (DTV) channel allocation table

MT	39	8	KFBB	Great Falls					
MS	DA	43	WMAA	Columbus	WA	39	8	KSPS	Spokane
MI	18	39	WBKP	Calumet	ידט	27	46	KJZZ	Salt Lake City
LA	55	7	KNOE	Monroe	UT	39	44	KBYU	Provo
IL	nw	36	WSEC	Jacksonville	υī	17	48	KUWB	Ogden
IL	48	5	WCIA	Champaign	UT	34	36	KULC	Ogden
PL	30	31	WTVJ	Miami	TX	пw	63	KBBJ	Kerrville
PL	26	31	WPXM	Miami	TX	47	8	KIII	Corpus Christi
CA	43	10	KSBW	Salinas	TN	55	13	WRCB	Chattanooga
CA	38	5	KNSO	Merced	OR	40	13	KOTI	Klamath Falls
λĹ	56	4	MCIŌ	Mt. Cheaha	OK	16	7	Koco	Oklahoma City
AL	59	11	WDIQ	Dozier	MY	21	48	WRNN	Kingston
AL	53	5	WBIQ	Birmingham	NV	32	13	KTVN	Reno
λK	22	6	KYES	Anchorage	NV	17	12	KTNV	Las Vegas
<u>St</u>	<u>Pm</u>	To	<u>Call</u>	City	<u>st</u>	<u>Fm</u>	To	Call	City

KMCC (DTV-32) has applied to move its DTV allocation from Lake Havasu City, Arizona to Laughlin, Nevada.

Applications for new stations

		IOIIS IO		Stations			
<u>st</u>	<u>Ch</u>	ERP	Ht.	<u>City</u>	Applicant	Latitude	Longitude
BC	13	0.01		Hagensborg	A & E	52-24-16	126-28-20
FL	48^	1000	456	Melbourne	WOPX [56]	28-05-37	81-07-28
Мλ	31^	154	330	Boston	WFXT [25]	42-18-12	71-13-08
MI	44^	212	305	Battle Creek	WZPX [43]	42-40-45	85-03-57
MI	14^	58.7	269	Detroit	WKBD [50]	42-29-01	83-18-44
MI	11^	3.2	249	Grand Rapids	WGVU [35]	42-57-35	85-53-45
NC	14^	150	221	Burlington	WGPX [16]	36-14-54	79-39-21
nj	43*	46	261	Trenton	WMJT [52]	40-16-58	74-41-11
PA	32^	501	364	Scranton	WQPX [64]	41-26-12	75-43-31
TH	51^	1000	298	Memphis	WPXX [50]	35-12-41	89-48-54
TX	18^	220	535	Fort Worth	KTXA [21]	32-32-35	96-57-32
TX	38^	208	582	Houston	KHTV [39]	29-34-06	95-29-57
VA	434	80	154	Manassas	MDXM [66]	38-47-16	77-19-49
٧X	42^	100	448	Marion	WMSY [52]	36-54-07	81-32-32
٧X	32^	100	591	Morton	WSBN [47]	36-53-53	82-37-21
VA	3^	7.25	627	Roanoke	WBRA [15]	37-11-46	80-09-18
wv	39^	1000	350	Charleston	WLPX [29]	38-28-12	86-46-35

Applications in italics are for backup auxiliary transmitters.

Construction permits granted for new stations

<u>st</u>	ÇÞ	ERP	Ht./Call	City	Applicant	<u>Latitude</u>	Longitude
AL	19^	50	313	Demopolis	WIIQ [41]	32-21-45	87-52-04
λĹ	44^	169	243	Louisville	WGIQ [43]	31-43-04	85-26-03
AR	34+	63	180	Eureka Sprs	Equity BC	36-17-30	93-45-41
BC	19	0.05		Abbotsford	Mennonite Church		
CA	32^	200	960	Anaheim	KDOC [56]	34-13-37	118-03-58
CA	61^	149	948	Long Beach	KSCI [18]	34-13-37	118-03-58
MD	21^	174	302	Salisbury	WBOC [16]	38-30-17	75-38-37
MN	32^	1000	433	Minneapolis	WCCO [4]	45-03-44	93-08-21
MIN	35^	774	435	Minneapolis	KARE [11]	45-03-44	93-08-21
MN	50^	1000	433	St. Paul	ESTP [5]	45-03-44	93-08-21
MO	52^	1000	573	Springfield	KOLR [10]	37-13-08	92-56-56
ОН	31^	625	317	Cleveland	WJW [8]	41-21-47	81-42-58
ON	36	10		Smiths Fls.	CKWS [11]		

New-station permits expired, dismissed, etc.:

<u>8t</u>	City	13	# permits	<u>St</u>	City	<u>Ch</u>	# permits
AR	Eureka Springs	34+	3				

Applications to change existing stations

<u>St</u>	<u>Ch</u>	ERP	HAAT	City	<u>Call</u>	<u>Latitude</u>	Longitude
λB	12+	16		Etzikom	CBCA-1		
MD	16+	3581	302	Salisbury	WBOC-TV		
KE	10-		304	Augusta	WCBB	44-09-15	70-00-37
ME	12-		290	Orono	WMEB - TV	44-45-45	68-33-58
MM	4+		452	Minneapolis	WCCO-TV		
MON	5-		451	St. Paul	KSTP-TV	45-03-45	93-08-21
OR	8.		524	Portland	KGW	45-31-21	122-44-45
OR	12z	153	388	Portland	KPTV		

Entries in italics are corrections to the tower coordinates only - nothing has actually changed.

The KPTV change is for an auxiliary backup transmitter. An application has been filed to increase the power of the Hagensborg, BC station translating CHAN [8] from 5 to 10 watts. Unfortunately, I don't list any station relaying CHAN here. I suspect it's CH4580 [12], for which I don't list any programming.

Applications to change construction permits

<u>st</u>	<u>Ch</u>	ERP	HAAT	City	Call	<u>Latitude</u>	Longitude
λZ	31^	1000	484	Phoenix	KSAZ-DT		
CA	65^	1000		Los Angeles	KTTV-DT		}
KS	33z	42	96	Wichita	KWCV	37-41-15	97-20-13
KY	29^	227		Newport	WXIX-DT		
MT	132	5.35	573	Lewistown	KBAO	47-10-40	109-32-07
NC	27*			Charlotte	WCCB-DT	35-16-01	80-44-05
NC	53^	1000	629	Raleigh	WRAL-DT		
ND	26+	738	300	Bismarck	KNDX	46-35-23	100-47-39
ND	24x	740	239	Minot	1CXCHTD	48-03-14	101-26-03
OR	46^	1000	1	Portland	KGW-DT	45-31-21	122-44-45

I believe the 629m HAAT for WRAL-DT is a typo. What it should be, I have no idea.

Changes granted to existing stations

<u>st</u>	<u>Ch</u>	ERP	<u>HAAT</u>	City	Call	<u>Latitude</u>	<u>Longitude</u>
GA	57+	5000		Atlanta	WATC		
KY	67-	5000	440	Morehead	WAOM	37-54-27	83-38-00
WA	49-	5010		Vancouver	KPDX		

K33DT Boise, Idaho has been granted permission to operate as a DTV station.

Changes granted to construction permits

St	<u>ch</u>	ERP	HAAT	City	<u>Call</u>	Latitude	Longitude
AZ	58z	3758	335	Sierra Vista	KWBA	31-45-32	110-48-03
OR	24+			Portland	KNMT	45-30-58	122-43-56
OR	32 z			Salem	KWBP	45-00-35	122-20-17
UT	20+	1644	1171	Salt Lake City	KTMW	40-39-12	112-12-06
WA	51+	3800	719	Bellevue	KBEH	47-30-17	121-58-04
WA	34-	2840	450	Spokane	KGPX		
WI	27+	2400		Madison	WKOW-TV		

The Portland change is for an auxiliary backup transmitter.

Changes expired, dismissed, etc.

<u>8t</u>	City	CD.	Call	<u>St</u>	City	<u>Ch</u>	<u>Call</u>
AL	Dothan	5	WJJN-LF (3)	ТX	Brownsville	28	K17EK (2)
CA	Payne's Ch.	41	K20FP (3)	TX	McAller.	6.9	K69HZ (3)
MM	Grand Marais	11	WelAF (4)	37	Salt Lake C.	44	K38CN (3)
TX	Brownsville	21	KZAV-LP (2)	VA	Lynchburg	80	W80AN (1)

(1): Petition to deny (for move to ch. 46) granted.
(3): Request of applicant.

(2): Mexican objection. (4): Canadian objection.

LPTV Displacement Applications

Call	<u>St</u>	City	<u>Pn</u>	<u>T0</u>	Call	<u>St</u>	City	<u>Pm</u>	<u>To</u>
W20AY	FL	Melbourne	20	312	KBBAJ	ΝΞ	Linceln	39	58 -
W22CE	FL	Orlando	22	142	W67DQ	NY	Victor	67	260
W67DT	KA	Paducah	67	52-	K6 EB	TX	C. Christi	66	59.
K65FP	LA	Denham Sp.	€5	38-	K44F0	TM	Dallas	44	197.
K48FV	MO	Joplin	4.8	2C-					

LPTV Displacements Granted

Call	8t	City	E PE	70	Call	<u>St</u>	City	ZB	<u>To</u>
K62FT	AZ	C. Adobes	64	62-	K30FV	NE	Cambridge	25	30z
K05KP	CA	Quincy	11	5+	K43FU	NM	Deming	60	43+
KWHY-LP	CA	Sta. Barb.	65	22-	K48GJ	NV	Carson C	65	480
K26FT	CA	Sta. Barb.	61	262	W15BS	NY	Union Spis	69	15m
K41EP	CA	Sta. Barb.	19	41n	W54CT	NY	Wilson	60	5411
K56GH	co	Ft Collins	35	56n	W09CG	ОН	Findlay	46	9+
W38C0	FL	Ft. Myers	67	38+	K33FE	OR	Roseburg	29	33z
W17CK	FL	Pt Charlotte	52	17+	K56GE	TX	Kingsville	46	5€ n
WPBI-LP	FL	W.P. Beach	36	31n	KHPL-LP	TX	La Grange	32	40+
W25CQ	GA	Statesboro	45	25+	K42ET	TX	Snyder	69	42-
W34CN	ME	Medway	14	34+	K38FN	TX	Waco	53	38+
W68CH	MI	Detroit	68	33+	K54GB	UT	Tocele	24	54n
K49FC	мо	St. Louis	48	49+	W31CA	wv	Charleston	4.5	31n

I believe W68CH has been issued a new callsign to go with its move to channel 33, however the old call was printed in the Public Notice.

Technical changes on the air

St	<u>Ch</u>	Call	City	What happened
FL	56+	W56DW	Naples	move from channel 54 (W54CC)
FL	27+	WTXL-TV	Tallahassee	increase power 1170->2690kW, tower height 262->518m; move about 30km west-northwest.
GA	25+	W25CQ	Statesboro	move from channel 45n (W45BO)
HI	262	KAAH	Honolulu	increase power 76->269kW, decrease tower height 66m, move about 35km west-northwest.
NC	64-	WAXN	Kannapolis	increase power 129->1910kW, tower height 86->300m, drop circular polarization & move about 30km south- southwest.
ОН	39+	W39CG	Cincinnati	move from ch. 35z (W35BA), increase power 10.4->18.6kW.
ок	59n	K59GF	Guymon	move from channel 69 (K69EQ)
oĸ	17 z	K17EX	Oklahoma City	move from ch. 65- (K65GU), decrease power 38.2->37.1kW, increase tower height by 85m, move about 11km northwest.

New stations on the air or requesting operating license

<u>st</u>	<u>Ch</u>	ERP	HAAT	Call	City	Latitude	Longitude
λZ	58z	5000	331	KMBY	Sierra Vista	31-45-33	110-48-02
CA	7n	0.3		K07UX	Fresno	37 - 04 - 23	119-25-51
CA	35^			KCRA-DT	Sacramento		
C)	44^	206	446	KBHK-DT	San Francisco	37-45-19	122-27-06
CA	14+	45.5		K14IG	Santa Maria	34-54-36	120-11-10
DC	36^	1000	201	WTTG-DT	Washington	38-57-22	77-04-59
IA	38n	26.1		K38DU	Sioux City	42-29-39	96-18-21
ID	66z	9.33		K66EV	Boise	43-45-16	116-05-56
KY	62z	129		W62CL	Lexington	38-02-07	84 - 27 - 02
LA	36+	12.3		K36DS	Alexandria	31-18-24	92-24-12
МА	31^	78	330	WFXT-DT	Boston	42-18-12	71-13-08
ME	20+	1.16		W20BN	Bangor	44-45-36	68-33-59
MI	18+	8.91	73	WHTV	Jackson	42-14-08	84-24-00
NI	28			W28??	Marquette		
NL	3			XH??	Linares		
NY	17			W17CH	Patchogue		
PA	51^	145	250	WTAE-DT	Pittsburgh	40-16-49	79-48-11
PA	20 -	45.1		W20AN	Washington	40 - 11 - 25	80-14-00
TN	28 -	11.9		W28BO	Acton	34 - 59 - 41	88 - 31 - 17
TX	35z	14.9		K35EU	Alice	27 - 45 - 09	97 - 27 - 18
TX	26+	10		K26EY	Austin	30-19-20	97 - 48 - 03
TX	31n	0.543		K31FA	Hillsboro	32-02-54	97-01-14
TX	44z	19.9		K44FF	Robstown	27 - 40 - 39	97-38-20
TX	58z	9		K58EU	San Antonio	29 - 31 - 25	98-43-25
WA	41^	427	263	KCTS-DT	Seattle	47-36-58	122-18-28

WA	45+	52.5	346	KHCV	Seattle	47-32-39	122-06-32

I'm not going to list any facilities for WBLU yet. The channel 28 station in Marquette, MI is a translator of WBKP [5], with ABC. It's not in the FCC Database, but is mentioned on their ID slide (see Danny Oglethorpe's picture on page 11 of last month's VUD) and their Web site http://www.wbkp.com. W17CH isn't in the database either. The Mexican station on channel 3 is a translator of XHDF [4] Mexico City, and the location is not certain. KCRA-DT is operating from a temporary low-power facility at their studio. The move to full facilities is expected late this fall. The W28BO transmitter is in Mississippi.

Stations deleted/dismissed/etc.

Call	<u>CD</u>	<u> </u>	City	Call	<u>Ch</u>	<u>St</u>	City
CH2650/ CH2651/ CH2652/ CH2653	2/ 4/ 6/ 7	AB	Anzac	K33EA	33	OR	La Grande

Call changes

Was:	Now:	City:	<u>Ch</u>	Was:	Now:	City:	Ch:
W47BS	WOIL-LP	Tallad.,AL	47	new	KBNX	Goldfld, NV	7
KKAK-LP	KHUG-LP	L. Rock, AR	46	WNYA · LP	WPXU-LP	Amityvl,NY	38
KKRK-LP	KLRA - LP	L. Rock, AR	58	W18BP	WLQP-LP	Lima, OH	18
KWOK	KTLN-TV	Movato, CA	68	WDPX	WBDT	Sprgfd, OH	26
WBPT	WSAH	Bridgpt, CT	43	K20FK	KZAV · LP	Brownsv, TX	20
W57CJ	MDbX - Fb	FtMyers,FL	57	KJAC-TV	KBTV-TV	PtArthur, TX	4
W31AU	WPXG-LP	Orlando, FL	31	K65ES	KBLM LP	S Anto., TX	65
WPXU	WBUI	Decatur, IL	23	WPXG	WIWB	Suring, WI	14
new	KBNY	Ely, NV	6	DeA	KBNM	Sheridn, WY	7

Programming changes

Call	Location	Programming
K57HR	Colo Springs, CO	sold to KXRM [21], Fox.
KTVS [3]	Sterling, CO	sold to KTVD [20], UPN.
WKRP-LP [42]	Washington, DC	to NASA TV & Executive Branch info
WBUI [23]	Decatur, IL	from Pax to WB.
KSMI-LP [51]	Wichita, KS	returns to air with Military Ch.
W67BA	Dennis, MA	see WZBU·MA.
WZBU [58]	Vineyard Haven, MA	sold to Pax but may not carry the Pax network.
WMBU [21]	Concord, NH	sold to Pax but see WZBU-NA.
KNLC [24]	St. Louis, MO	adds UPN to religion.
KPTN-LP [58]	St. Louis, MO	adds local programming to Box.
W04BG	Morris, NY	sold to WYDC [48], Fox/UPN.
W55AC	Penfield, NY	sold to WYDC [48], Fox/UPN.
WMHQ [45]	Schenectady, WY	from PBS to WB.
K15EY	Wasco, OR	sold to Oregon Public Broadcasting.
W43BS	Columbia, SC	new, WQHB [63] translator.
W31BS	Orangeburg, SC	new, WQHB [63] translator.
WQHB [63]	Sumter, SC	in financial trouble; airing mostly test patterns.
KVVV [57]	Baytown, TX	sold to Pappas Telecasting - to drop Valuevision & go independent?
K58FZ	Cisco, TX	sold to Prime Time Christian Bostg.

WIWB [14]	Suring, WI	from Pax to WB (for Green Bay).
KHCV [45]	Seattle, WA	new, Military Channel.
K25FP	Ellensburg, WA	to 3ABN.
W45BG	. Norfolk, VA	sold to WAVY [10], presumably to be "LWS" weather?
K26DW	Snyder, TX	sold to KIDY [6], Fox.
К69НZ	McAllen, TX	sold to a church.
K53FV	Houston, TX	sold to Pappas - see KVVV-TX.

WMHQ [45] holds a commercial license, so the move from PBS to WB is legal. This would not be possible for stations on non-commercial reserved channels.

Forum & Other Stuff

Thanks to Fernando Garcia, Will Hepburn, Danny Oglethorpe, Jeff Kadet, Chip Kelley, and Jim Ayers for information appearing elsewhere in this column. Judging from the CP modification granted this month, I would assume the channel 62 station in Lexington, Kentucky is still operating under the W62CL LPTV permit rather than the WBLU full-license CP. New KWKB [20] Iowa City is scheduled to begin testing on the 11th and go on the air with programming on the 30th. It'll be a WB affiliate.

Fernando is seeing a new XHDF [4] translator on channel 3 to the southeast of his location. He speculates it's located in Allende, Montemorelos, or Linares. His local on channel 3 (a translator of XEFB [2]) has moved to channel 2 and back to its original location in Cadereyta, roughly 30km southeast of Monterrey. Yes, it does generate "Es-like" interference to XEFB. Also noted to the southeast of Monterrey are a new XHIMT (Azteca 7) translator on channel 8 and another XHDF translator on channel 4.

During a skip opening to the Dakotas, Jim Ayers near Atlanta noted a channel 4 station with a "TBT" bug & wondered who it was. This is CHFD Thunder Bay, Ontario. (See Darmy's picture on page 11 of last month's VUD; note the ID as "TBT 4/6") TBT operates a second station in Thunder Bay (also pictured in last month's VUD), CKPR on channel 2. Its ID is "TBT 2/5".

Jim also notes his local WNGM [34] is IDing as "WNGM-LP"! It does, in fact, hold a full-power license and operates at 5,000kW.. I guess The Box is not used to full-power affiliates grin>. Speaking of The Box in Atlanta, WSKC-LP [59] has been off for a few weeks. The third Box in the area, WIRE-LP [40] also operates intermittently.

Finally, Jim asks whether it's legal for one station to broadcast on two channels at the same time? When WSKC-LP moved from channel 4 to 59, they operated on both channels for about a week; and in late May, Jim observed WGSA-LP Savannah on both channels 38 and 50. (Surprisingly, not in parallel - 50 was airing an ID with translator list inserted over an infomercial, while 38 had the infomercial but no ID) I suppose this is probably legal for brief periods - the construction permit conveys authority to test the new facilities (whether they be a more powerful transmitter, a higher antenna, or even a completely different channel) on the air. The FCC has indicated it will be cracking down on those who keep renewing construction permits over and over; it will not be possible to keep two channels this way for long. Oh, yes, both channels would have the same callsign. (I would count them as two different stations in my log)

Two Guadalajara stations have modified their Ids. According to Danny, XHG [4] has added big letters "GDL" below their 4 logo. And XEDK [5] has changed the background behind their 5 to white. In Veracruz, XHAJ [5] has added "Televisa Veracruz" IDs to their programming - however, these IDs are different from the ones used by XHFM [2] and XHGV [4]. See Danny's Web page at http://www.geocities.com/capecanaveral/cockpit/5099 for more on identifying Mexican TV. He also notes KNAZ [2] now carrying KPNX [12]'s newscasts. The stations are now co-owned. No word yet on whether KMOH [6] is also part of this network.

Jeff Kitsko sent a quick note to the effect that WCWB [22] and WPGH [53] Pittsburgh have both adopted stereo audio.

You may have noted there was no installment of the Canadian DTV Allocations last month. It was because I ran out of time to edit them - but I'm not going to resume with that set. Will Hepbum indicates the table now appears as part of the Industry Canada database, and there have been some changes. Canada will be using the same callsign scheme as the U.S., with calls such as CHCH-DT and CH4023-DT. He also indicates Panasonic is to be introducing a DTV->NTSC converter in October.

Classic V. U.D.

Original articles from the early days of the VUD...articles that stand the test of time. This one written by Dave Janowiak and originally appearing in a Nov 1970 issue of the VUD. It has been updated for use in this VUD.

Dipoles and folded Dipoles

A dipole, or folded dipole is an antenna cut to one-half wavelength of a desired frequency. It is, therefore, resonant at that frequency, allowing more electromagnetic pickup at that frequency than other frequencies. Both antennas, although different in impedance, deliver identical power to a receiver or transmitter.

The dipole is split at its electrical center for connection to 72 ohm transmittion line (see Figure 1). Radiation is maximum at right angles to the axis. The dipole can be called a dipole antenna, doublet, doublet antenna, half-wave dipole or plain dipole.

The folded dipole, shown in Figure 2, has 300 0hms impedance. It also is split in the center for connection to the transmission line. Maximum radiation is also at right angles to the axis.



Figure 1

Note: Hereafter, the term dipole will be used for both plain and folded dipoles unless specified otherwise.

Half-wave dipole

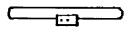


Figure 2 Half-wave folded dipole

These antennas, especially folded dipoles, have been most popular for TV and FM receiving work. Because of their popularity, dipoles have become the basis for plotting gains of other antennas. That is, dipoles are used as a reference, assigned a "gain" of zero, and compared with other antennas to determine the gain or loss. Dipoles, therefore, are sometimes called "zero-gain" antennas, not because they can't increase the signal, but because they have been

given a gain of zero only as a starting point. Indeed, many all-channel antennas on some channels have gains less than the cut-to-channel dipole!

Note: The isotropic source is sometimes used as a reference also, but not nearly as much as the dipole. However, gain of an isotropic source is about 20% less than a dipole. It is impossible, therefore, to make a correct judgement of antenna gain if a gain of X db over a "reference" antenna is claimed. Judging by the difference between actual antenna gain and that claimed for some all-channel antennas, I believe some manufacturers compare their antennas to neither a dipole nor an isotropic source.

Dipoles can be made from any conductor: solid wire, tubing, transmission line. The physical length of conductor must be shortened by the velocity factor, however.

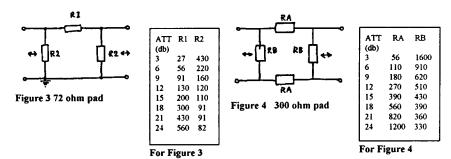
Uses for Dxers. The dipole is an inexpensive method of receiving a frequency not covered by other antennas. Any 300 ohm line, for example, can be cut and mounted on a board for support. Aluminum tubing can be used if available, but support is difficult especially at low frequencies. Best use of a dipole is for snatching polarized E skip. A 300 ohm dipole can be cut in minutes for the channel desired and mounted to suit. For E skip, it needn't be mounted high, since local trops signals would just be that stronger. A dipole cut from 300 ohm line and taped to a fishing pole stuck into the ground ...has gotten E skip Ids that weren't seen on a horizontal antenna.

Uses for builders an experimenters. With a home-brew signal meter and pads, it is easy to compare gains of antennas. The dipole should be compared with the "test antenna" at the same height and location and through identical lengths and type of transmission lines. This is a little hard if the test antenna is already mounted on the tower. However, if possible, ground-test the antennas before installation.

Comparison is done by noting voltage differences on the S-meter between dipole and test antenna. If the S-meter is not calibrated, you can add attenuation until both readings are identical (or close). For example, if voltage equals -1.0 with the dipole connected, but -3.0 with the test antenna connected (more gain), add attenuation until the reading with the test antenna is close to -1.0. The amount of attenuation equals gain of the test antenna over the dipole. Note: Comparing picture strength by using pads only (no S-meter) is not an accurate test. If a ch2-13 antenna is tested, check the gain against select cut to-channel dipoles: channels 2,4,6,7,10 and 13, for example. typically, gain "rolls off" at the ends of the band, especially for yagi types.

Experimenters can check actual gain against calculated gain of home-brew antennas by using the dipole/S-meter/attenuator method. Some Dxers might be surprised to learn that they can build a four or five element yagi for a low band channel that will out-perform *any* all channel VHF antenna on that frequency. Cost should be little or nothing, especially if you have access to junk tubing, old antennas, etc.

300 ohm attenuator pads. Anyone with an average sized junkbox should be able to build a few pads quite easily. All you need is the correct sized resistors. Figure 1 shows common circuits used for 72 and 300 ohm type pads. Tables 1 and 2 give resistor values for the attenuation desired. Wattage values are unimportant in receiving work; 1/4 to 2 watt are fine, whatever is the cheapest. Resistor tolerances effect results, but for your less critical needs, 20% resistors should be ok.



A 300 ohm home-brew pad is illustrated below. Non-conducting circuit board can be used. Spacing at input/output should be close to actual T-line conductor spacing. Short lengths of T-line and antenna clips allow rapid insertion and removal, but antenna clips can add .50 db loss to a 12 db pad.

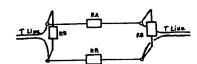


Figure 5 300 ohm home-brew pad

The 72 ohm pads should be mounted in small metal boxes, making sure you have good shielding, symmetry, etc. Use you favorite connector.

WEB sitings

Jim Thomas 280 E. Katsura Street Milliken, CO 80543 oldwest@oneimage.com

The Best of the 'Best' in FM & Television Station Internet Websites.

After a month of incredibly busy work, I have found time to get the second issue of WEBsitings out. Rather than apologize for being too busy, here's a DOUBLE issue for you to have fun with. Hopefully by now, we're all deep in the thick of the e-skip season. Also, by the time this VUD hits the mailbox, the WTFDA convention will be in full swing. With that bagful of unid'd FM & TV loggings, what you need now is some really good SEARCH ENGINES from the internet to help you solve those mystery stations. So here they are.

HAVE FUN!!







FM WEBSITE SEARCH ENGINES

www.wmbr.mit.edu/stations/list.html

This is possibly one of the best fm/am search engines currently on the web. It utilizes both the fcc.gov search engine and links to radio station websites. You can do a direct search by state, city, frequency, call letters, format, and you can also search either webpages or fcc documentation on a station, or both at the same time. You can also list all am or fm by frequency, broken apart by country, which goes beyond the North American continent. The frequency listings will also highlight stations with website presence and those that are linked to bitcasting sources (ie Realaudio). The webmaster is Theodric Young from the WMBR radio station at MIT. He readily invites your input.

www.fcc.gov/mmb/asd/fmq.html
This is the FREE search engine

provided by the Federal
Communications
Commission
in Washington, DC.
Here you can query
radio station information

by: Callsign, file number, city/state, frequency

FCC website continued

conversion between FM channel numbers & frequencies, and mailing addresses for broadcast stations. The FM database is updated daily at 5:00PM EST and contains all transactions from the previous business day.

www.radiostation.com/facdata/fmcallsql.html
Now here's a super fast search engine. Its the
latest state-of-the-art high speed SQL database
processor that finds your search in a flash. No

processor that finds your search in a flash. bells & whistles here, no time consuming downloading of .gif or .jpeg images, just straight to the point .html text.

www.airwaves.com/fmdb.html

Originating from Milwaukee, WI, here is another search engine that uses the fcc.gov database, as well as linking you to the tiger.census.gov locator. It searches by callsign, city/state, frequency, metropolitan area. You can even plug in designated longitude & latitude coordinates. It is as effective as other search engines, but somewhat slow with search results.

Here are some other fm radio search engines worth mentioning, but are some what incomplete in their listings.

www.radiobroadcast.net www.gebbieinc.com/radiointro.htm www.ilgradio.de/ilg-ibwd.htm



are you PLUGGED IN to the world??

SPAM

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NORTHERN FM DX

JULY 1999

DEADLINE The 5th of the month before publication LOG CUTOFF 4 months from postmark COLUMN REPORTING AREA See map to the right (also includes Europe & Asia)

EDITOR GREG CONIGLIO 90 SLATE CREEK DRIVE APT. #3 CHEEKTOWAGA, NEW YORK 14227

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The season has picked up, judging by the reports below. Not a banner season by any means, but at least there was an active period of skip during the end of May, especially the 23rd. Some decent Tr has also been reported. If you heard any of this, or other DX, let us know about it!! ...

MATTHEW SITTEL - 1731 SCARBOROUGH DRIVE APT, 2-I - BELLEVUE, NEBRASKA 68123

Equipment Yamaha TX-900U tuner with modified filters, rabbit ears, 2nd floor apartment.

MAY 1999	h
<u>5 TR</u>	-
0756 KJIL 99.1 KS Copeland, calls 342	- [4
<u>14 TR</u>	
0740 KHOZ 102.9 AR Harrison, Z103,	- 1
local ment. 370	-1
<u>22 TR</u>	- 10
0646 KRES 104.7 MO Moberly, "Kress Radio"	
219	- 10
<u>23 ES</u>	
1810 WKOC 93.7 VA Chesapeake, "The Coast"	- [0
1102	- 10
1813 WRSF 105.7 NC Columbia, "Dixie 105.7"	
1124	- 10
1820 WMGV 103.3 NC Newport, Kinston ad	- 10
1130	- 10
1822 WWDE 101.3VA Hampton, "2WD" 1088	-10
1824 WQBE 97.5 WV Charleston, calls 784	- 10
1825 WPTE 94.9 VA Virginia Beach, "Point"	- 10
1113	Т
1826 WRVQ 94.5 VA Richmond, "Q94", calls	1
1019	1.
JUNE 1999	Т
6 TR	1.
0624 KLQP 92.1 MN Madison, Ortonville ad,	
Q92 270	
0626 KSDR 92.9 SD Watertown, 268	1
"93 Country, KS-93"	
0630 KQAA 94.9 SD Aberdeen, calls,	
"Cool 95" 326	
0640 KBRK 93.7 SD Brookings, local ad 225	
0640 <u>KBRK</u> 93.7 SD Brookings, local ad 225 0659 <u>KRSU</u> 91.3 MN Appleton, ID 282	
0709 KGGK 98.3 SD Wessington Springs,245	1
"Cool 98", Mitchell ad	
	- 1

	0731	KQIC	102.5	MN	Willmar,local ad,	"Q102"
					, , ,	280
	0732	KJAM	103.1	SD	Madison, calls,	severe
		WX PSA				208
	0734	<u>KYSM</u>	103.5	MN	Mankato,	
- 1		"New C	Country	103	3"	233
	0737	<u>KPHR</u>	104.3	SD	Milbank, "Oldies 1	04.3"
						285
	0810	<u>KEEY</u>	102.1	MN	St. Paul, K102,	
		Twin Ci		-		302
	0817	<u>KDWB</u>	101.3	MN	Richfield, calls	293
	0858	<u>KDKK</u>	97.5	MN	Park Rapids,	
		"K-D-D		-		403
	0859	<u>KBHZ</u>	91.9	MN	Willmar, ID	280
	0859	<u>KKCK</u>	99.7	MN	Marshall, calls	230
	0903	<u>KDJS</u>	95.3	MN	Willmar, "K 95.3"	280
	0904	<u>KKOK</u>	95.7	MN		309
	0906	<u>KCAY</u>	95.9	KS	Russell, calls	217
	0929			KS	Great Bend,	
		calls, "E				242
					Waseca, local ad	
	1014	KTCZ	97.1	MN	Minneapolis, "Citi	
						301
	1035	<u>KOWZ</u>	100.9	MN	Blooming Prairie,	
						239



Nice to hear some skip (although I was hoping for something I'd never heard from any DX location, like Oregon...), and the tropo on June 6th was certainly enjoyable. Log total now stands at 158. 73s Matt.

Equipment Radio Shack RDX398, Internet johnjrieger@webtv.net

MAY 23, 1999 ES (CDT)

1955 WMNF 88.5 FL Tampa SS. id'ed by TEXT "WMNF" on RDS of DX-398. A

2100 KEOM 88.5 TX Mesquite, I/psa. pre-recorded psa, full id, 70s oldies 88.7 2102 KAZI 88.7 TX Austin Blk Gos, full

idfreq.calls, city, state! 1600w! 1958 KUHF 88.7 TX Houston 1958 on KUHF" in fade up.

2001 KSBJ 89.3 TX Humble, G-E with full s/id, cont. Christian





Well, this is my first ever report to the WTFDA, being a member/fan for years! Never had any super long list but I guess I figure all the little reprts fatten up the bulletin! Es wa here for the first time in '99 for about 2 hrs on 5-23. The RDS on the RShack DX-398 was wonderful as it printed out "WMNF" with the SS programming which never had to wait for audio id! Was nice! 73s! John John J. Rieger DX'ing since 1967

STEVEN SOLOMON - 31 VERNON ST. #4 - HYANNIS, MASSACHUSETTS 02601

Equipment Yamaha T-85 with 5 modified if filters 110khz/150khz. Super Narrow and fine tuning features. Car Geo Stock w/2 modified 150khz filters and signal meter. Internet cool102@capecod.net. (508) 771-8053

MAY 1999

9 TR 1000 105.5 WAYB Isleboro ME Bay 105.5, New station 1005 89.3 WMSJ Freeport ME

Maine Christian Radio 17 ES

2000 101.3 WMCI Neoga k/1000 miles 2017 88.3 WLMS Lecanto FL

3.8k/Spirit FM/St. Pete mention 2023 88.1 WNAS New Albany 900/2.8k/Oidies

21 ES

1202 92.5 WYUU Tampa FL Oldies 92 1205 94.7 WDEC Americus GA Mix 94.7 1207 94.9 WTNT Tallahassee FL

1212 95.5 WTVY Dothan AL 1213 95.3 WJYF Nashville GA

1213 95.7 WMTX ClearwaterFL Star 95.7 1222 96.9 WDJR

Enterprise AL Country 96.9

1225 97.3 WMGR Bainbridge GA over local WJFD

WDEC 94.7FM MIDX

MAY 21 ES cont	
1228 99.5 WKSM	Ft. Walton Beach, FL
99 Rock	
1231 99.7 WOOF	Dothan AL
99-7 "Woof" FM	
1232 100.3 (WOCL) (Orlando FL Cool FM
1233 100.3WNCV	
Ft. Walton	mention
1233 100.7 WHYIFt. L	
1234	Graceville FL
	/Star 101.7
1242 94.1 <u>WSJT</u> L	
	oth Jazz 94.1
	Mobile AL
1246 93.1 <u>WBBK</u> E	Blakely GA B-
93/note #2	
1250 92.5 WPAP F	
22 ES note #3 (no tota	
	liami FL Zeta
	Miami FL
	fiami FL
1056 96.5 WPOW N	liami Beach FL
Power 96	
1058 97.9 WRMF V	·
1059 98.3 WQBA G	Soulds FL SS

Note1 WYDA Graceville, FL - Dothan mentions. Although FM Atlas lists WTID Reform, AL as "Star 101.7", their web site is "Tide 101.7". Graceville is next to Dothan.

Note 2 Phone call verified slogan of B-93 for WBBK.

28e 3 E-skip 5/22/99 received mobile on rt. 95 in Rhode Island and Connecticut.

NORTHERN FM DX

JULY 1999

JOHN EBELING - 9209 VINCENT AVE S - BLOOMINGTON, MINNESOTA 55431

Internet: iebelina@aol.com

FROM BLOOMINGTON, MINN. January 1999

4 TR 2100 KKRC 93.9 MN Granite Falls 2200 K222AE 92.3 MN Springfield 2200 K228DH 93.5 MN Owatonna 52

February 1999

22 TR 1100 K214DF 90.7 MN Golden Valley (Mpls) KLOV XItr

March 1999 26 MB

1049 KWGB 97.9 KS Colby

April 1999 15 TR

1202 KKJR 106.9 MN Hutchinson "The Flame" (ex 107.1)

2100 K296ER 107.1 MN Mankato (KLJY 104.5 Xltr)

2214 K231AC 94.1 MN New Ulm

FROM PROSIT (ALBORN), MINN.

January 1999 16 TR

0125 WKQH104.9 WI Marathon

"K rock" (don't have distances) 0130 WBUM104.3 MI Baraga

April 1999 18 TR

1701 KKJR 106.9 MN Hutchinson "The Flame" (ex 107.1)

May 1999

2315 KKZY 95.5 MN Bemidji stunting "KZY-FM"

0855 CKUA 93.7 AB Calgary 0901 CJSi 88.9 AB Calgary

0931 CJAY 92.1 AB Calgary

+67kHz SCA

1742 WOGK 93.7 FL Ocala 1752 WPZM 93.3 TN Tullahoma 1755 WCOS 97.5 SC Columbia 1800 WFSQ 90.5 FLTallahassee 1801 WLWI 92.3 AL Montgomery 1806 WPBH 94.5 FL Parker "beach 94.5" 1809 WTVY 94.5 AL Dothan 1817 WPGG 93.3 AL Evergreen 1820 WINL 98.5 AL Linden 1821 WAYS 99.1 GA Macon 1829 unid 102.1 "The Eagle" (Any help on this one???) 1829 WAGP 88.7 SC Beaufort "the light" 1900 WSMR 89.1 FL Sarasota "life fm" 1906 WBVM 90.5 FL Tampa 1915 WMJY 93.7 MS Biloxi "magic 93.7" 1934 WXFX 95.1 AL Prattville 1936 WSHF 99.3 FL Mexico Beach 1938 WRQO 102.1 MS Monticello "Q 102" 1940 WTBT 103.5 FL Bradenton "Gulf Thunder 103.5" 1943 WRBQ 104.7 FL Tampa "Q 105" k(ountry) 1951 WEBZ 93.5 FL Port St Joe 1954 WPCV 97.5 FL Winter Haven 1958 WBRH 90.3 LA Baton Rouge 1959 WPAE 89.7 MS Centerville 2001 WRNO 99.5 LA New Orleans 2003 WRBH 88.3 LA New Orleans 2030 WYFK 89.5 GA Columbus



2100 WGTF 89.5 AL Dothan

End of report, My mileage chart is at the cabin & I didn't write the mileage down before I left there. Hope that this comes through in a somewhat readable format. (Looked good, John! grc) Regards from John Ebeling.



WTFDA 1999 CONVENTION Northwestern New Jersey

Hope to see you there!!

NORTHERN FM DX **JULY 1999** CHARLES BERNTH - P.O. BOX 236 - EASTPORT, NEW YORK

Equipment: Pioneer car radio, Internet: cbernth@banet.net

MAY 1999 DX

<u>6 TR</u> 1400 WMSJ 89.3 ME Freeport "Joy 89.3" rel

21 TR

1128 WMFQ 92.9 FL Ocala "Q92.9" 1144 WWRM 94.9 FL Tampa "Warm 94.9"

1152 WPLA 93.3 FL Callahan "Planet radio" 1201 WBBK 93.1 GA Blakeley "BBK" 943 1210 WKSJ 94.9 AL Mobile "KSJ" 1094 1232 WTYS 94.1 FL Marianna calls

KITN 93.5 FM Your #1 Fun Station!

21 ES CONT

1235 unid 93.5 "Classic Rock 93 1/2" 1240 WTMI 93.1 FL Miami local concert schedule 1114

25 GW

unID 90.7 Spanish music & tlk. Mentioned Springfield several times. Is there a pirate operating in Springfield, MA?

(Charles, there is actually a licensed 90.7 in Springfield, WTCC. Perhaps an area member can let us know if they run Spanish? - gc)

<u> 27 ES</u>

1050 KSDR 92.9 SD Watertown "KS-93" 1059 KFSI 92.9 MN Rochester gospel 1034

1110 KITN 93.5 MN Worthington "Today's BestCountry"

1130 KKYA 93.1 SD Yankton ads 1276

SAUL CHERNOS - 57 BERKELEY ST - TORONTO, ONTARIO CANADA M5A 2W5

988

Internet: schemos@torfree net (416) 364-0725

OCTOBER 1998 DX 5 TR (DOWNTOWN TORONTO)

0100 LP106.3 ON Toronto, Toronto Sun dispatch, very low power, rp music \$

11 TR (BURNT RIVER)

0027 CBPO 88.9 ON Parry Sound Weather Radio Canada TIS

2026 CIRA 91.3 PQMontreal FF 2314 WUNY 89.5 NY Utica "Classic FM" 2327 WHWK 98.1 NY Binghamton

17 TR (TORONTO BLUFFS)

0053 WJSL 90.3 NY Houghton g w/CJBC! 0054 WCOT 90.9 NY Jamestown g

0100 WNBQ 92.3 PA Mansfield

'104-5 The Buzz" ro 0115 CBO 103.3 ON Ottawa CBC \$

NOVEMBER 1998 DX 11 TR (BURNT RIVER)

2230 CBCM 89.7 ON Penetanguishene (ex-107.5) mono

15 TR (TORONTO)

0005 CBLA- 90.5 ON Crystal Beach \$ (testing with music)

0018 CFLZ 105.1 ON Niagara Falls TIS (91.9 still on)

0115 CBCM 89.7 ON Penetanguishene (ex-107.5) mono

30 TR (TORONTO - AURORA WEST) 0125 CKNR 94.1 ON Elliot Lake

(CBL very briefly off) FEBRUARY 1999 DX

2 TR (TORONTO - DOWNTOWN)

1730 TIS 91.7 ON Toronto "91.7 FM Auto City Radio" Rich & Parl

ERIE'S NEW MUSIC LEADER

30-TILLE FM

FEB 5 TR (TORONTO - EAST END RT 401)

90.7 ON Pickering "The Puke 104.9" (mocking Nuke 90.7)

8 TR (TORONTO - DUFFERIN)

2058 WKBN 98.9 OH Youngstown "The New Mix 98.9"

2106 WSTI 96.9 MI Lexington 60s-80s pop 2125 WZLE 104.9 OH Lorain 104.9 Today's Christian Mx*

2126 WGRT 102.3 MI Port Huron r

2133 WCLV 95.5 OH Cleveland c 2144 WMJi 105.7 OH Cleveland

2149 WNWV 107.3 OH Elyria "Smooth Jazz 107-3 The Wave*

MARCH 1999 DX

12 TR (TORONTO - EAST END RT 401)

2230 PIR 104.9 ON Pickering (The Nuke but no ID) White's Rd /The Project 420-9466

17 TR (TORONTO - CENTRAL, THEN

BLUFFS)

1939 LP 89.9 ON Toronto Glendon College, celtic and rock

2130 WASB 105.5 NY Brockport a "WASB 1590 Bpt, WRSB 1310 Canandg)

APRIL 1999 DX

2 TR (TORONTO - BLUFFS)

1332 WLVY 94.3 NY Elmira "94 Rock" pr

1400 WERG 89.9 PA Erie pr "Energy FM 90"

1414 WVBR 93.5 NY Ithaca pr

1417 ---91.7 Bombers Baseball

10 TR (BURNT RIVER) 0730 TIS

91.7 ON Balsam Lake B.L. Provincial Park) very lo pwr

12 TR (TORONTO - BLUFFS)

1515 W214BB 90.7 NY Lockport //88.3 WCOU g **MAY 1999 DX**

3 TR (TORONTO - DOWNTOWN)

NORTHERN FM DX

MAY 4 TR (TORONTO - DOWNTOWN)

2100 CHOW 91.7 ON Welland testing with k (ex-1470)

23 TR (BURNT RIVER)

1630 CHOW 91.7 ON Welland k "Spirit 91.7" (ex-1470)

23 ES (BURNT RIVER)

1852 KDYN 96.7 AR Ozark "Dynamite Country Radio" 1854 KEGL 97.1 TX Fort Worth "The Eagle"

1856 KRXO 107.7 OK Oklahoma City 1903 91.7 India/Middle East music

1907 KNID 96.9 OK Enid

1911 KOMA 92.5 OK Oklahoma City

1914 KJYO 102.7 OK Oklahoma City "KJ-103" 1916 KVRP 95.5 TX Haskell k

1925 KEYB 107.9 OK Altus k 1930 KOSU 91.7 OK Still water

1933 KIXR 100.1 OK Ponca City "Mix-100" 1936 KOLS 95.5 KS Dodge City

1937 KAMX 94.7 TX Luling "Mix 94.7" 1938 KHOK 100.7 KS Hoisington "Eagle"

1940 KBEL 96.7 OK Idabel k

1942 KGGG 94.7 KS Sterling "Oldies94.7...K-Gold"

1945 KVIL 103.7 TX Highland Park "Light Rock103.7 KVIL*

1946 KTXQ 102.1 TX Fort Worth 1947 KOYN 93.9 TX Paris k 1949 KLTY

94.1 TX Fort Worth 1950 KNON 89.3 TX Dallas Beyond Bows &

Arrows native drumming 1956 KGNZ 88.1 TX Abilene

2008 WRMF 89.3 FL Boynton Beach g-mx 2027 WRMF 97.9 FL Palm Beach

2030 90.5 Soundprint www.soundprint.org 2036 WQYK 99.5 FL St. Petersburg

2039 KDEA 93.7 LA New Iberia "Cool93.7"

oldies 2053 KETX 92.3 TX Livingston k 2056 WXRG 96.7 MS Gulfport

93.9 WINK g ??? 2058 2100 KWKQ 107.1 TX Graham k

2015 KAMD 97.1 AR Camden "K-97" 2106 KIVY 92.7 TX Crockett

2019 KCUL 92.3 TX Marshall TX Rangers BB 2110 KGAS 104.3 TX Carthage TX Rangers BB

93.5 TX Crockett 2114 KBHT 2117 KODA 99.1 TX Houston 2118 KIPR 92.3 AR Pine Bluff

2124 KSCN 96.9 TX Pittsburg "New Star

Country 95.9 & 96.9"

2127 KWRW 97.7 TX Rusk



2130 104.7 "K-Lite 104.7

JULY 1999 2132 KYYK 98.3 TX Palestine "Kick 98" k

2133 KRXT 98.5 TX Rockdale g 2147 KASE 100.7 TX Austin "Case 101" k 2148 WJMI 99.7 MS Jackson "99-Jams"

2150 KVET 98.1 TX Austin "K-Vet" 2151 KPEZ 102.3 TX Austin "The Classic Rock



Station*

95.5 "Q-95, Q-95.5, The Q" 2153 rap920-9155 (Saul, KRRQ-LA maybe? - grc)

2155 KLDE 94.5 TX Houston

2200 KPFT 90.1 TX Houston "Alternative Radio" show e-mail

2206 KOUZ 89.9 LA Alexandria

2227 KKBQ 92.9 TX Pasadena "Q-Country"

2230 KWTX 97.5 TX Waco 2234 KVTT 91.7 TX Dallas q 2239 KLBJ

93.7 TX Austin r 2247 KSWP 90.9 TX Lufkin

2302 KBJS 90.3 TX Jacksonville

2304 KVNE 89.5 TX Tyler 24 ES (BURNT RIVER)

1131 KCBI 90.9 TX Dallas g-mx

1143 KBBQ 100.7 AR Fort Smith 1145 KMEO 96.7 TX Flower Mound "Memories

1147 KOMS 107.3 AR Fort Smith "Big Country

107.3 1150 KSLZ 107.7 MO St. Louis

1152 KBVA 106.5 AR Bella Vista 1153 KHTT 106.9 OK Muskogee "K-Hits" k

1155 KHTO 106.7 MO Mt Vernon "Hot 106.7"

1201 KJEL 103.7 MO Lebanon 1204 KVOO 98.5 OK Tulsa

1205 KBTN 99.7 MO Neosho 1207 KRIG 104.9 OK Nowata "104.9 The Rig"

1209 KRLK 107.7 MO Stockton *107.7 The Lake" old-k

1212 KRXO 107.7 OK Oklahoma City 1214 KSPI 91.7 OK Stillwater "FM 93.7 The Spy*

1218 WTRL 106.7 MO Mount Sterling "Golden 106.7

1223 KDKD 95.3 MO Clinton

1225 WKXQ 92.5 IL Rushville 1227 KRBB 97.9 KS Wichita r "B-98"

1230 KDGS 93.9 KS Andover "Power 93.9"

1232 KCCV 92.3 KS Olaathe "Life 92 FM...Bott Radio Network*

1233 KZZD 90.7 KS Wichita "Z-91"

1235 KCMW 90.9 MO Warrensburg "Your station for jazz"

1239 KQRC 98.9 KS Leavenworth "Your concert stn 98.9 The Rock

Last fall I reported a pirate on 106.3. Turns out it's the Toronto Sun newspaper using FM ... continued on page 17--

SOUTHERN FM DX John Zondlo - 4009 Driftwood Circle - Yukon, OK 73099

E-mail: Jpzondlo@aol.com - Deadline: 10th

For DXers in AL, AR, AZ, CA, CO, DE, DC, FL, GA, HI, KS, KY, LA, MD, MS, NC, NV, OK, SC, TN, TX, UT, WV and Mexico

Tulu 1999



1385 Old Clarksville Pike - Pleasant View. TN 37146-8098 w9wi@bellsouth.net CDT

Technics ST-G50 tuner, big Radio Shack VHF-TV Harmon-Kardon Citation 23 tuner, Archer 10 antenna at 15'

5/9 Tr	(local	WCVQ	off)

2106 KEIN 107.9 AR Jonesboro, "K-Fine," local ads

5/18 Es 1200 XHGL

97.7 YU Merida, ads for Super San Francisco & Farmacias Isa. confirmed by Fernando Garcia on phone call to Merida 1079

1200 XHMTt 98.5 YU Merida, "La Comadre" 1230 XHBR 89.9 QR Cozumel, area ads 1099 1230 KBNRt 88.3 TX Brownsville, rel talk in SS

1230 KBNLt 89.9 TX Laredo, //88.3 (#1) 5/21 Es

1817 CBW 98.3 MB Winnipeg, cultural talk about CRTC 1050

1821 KDKK 97.5 MN Park Rapids, "K-D-Double K" 833 1825 unID 104.3 MN ??, same mx format as KDKK.

either KLKK or KZLT 2100 KRCS 93.1 SD Sturgis, legal ID & "Hot 93.1"

1022 95.9 CO? ??, "KZ Country 95.9," & "For 2100 unID our friends in Vail," presume

2104 KINI 96.1 NE Crookston, call ID 867

5/25 Tr 0756 WBFG 96.5 TN Parkers Crossroads, legal ID, carries ESPN Radio, all sx 85

5/27 Es 1151 KIQZ

1144 KQSWt 96.5 WY Rock Springs, "Q96 FM," k 92.7 WY Rawlins, "KIQZ-KRAL(AM)"

ID, FM #800 at this location 1139

1200 KUAD 99.1 CO Windsor, Longmont ads 1000 1215 KMUS 101.9 WY Burns, "The Moose," ID 999 1230 KUWZ 90.5 WY Rock Springs, "Wyoming Public Radio" ID 1242

1230 KUWR 91.9 WY Laramie, "Wyoming Public Radio 1/90.5 1042

Note#1: Fernando suggested these two might have been from Guatemala. On one hand, I had KIII-3 Corpus Christi at the same time, suggesting south Texas, but on the other hand I did have several mentions of Guatemala on other FM frequencies at the same time. Wish I'd paid more attention!

FM DX Web

2024 WHCN 105.9 CT Hartford, WXJN 105.9 DE off 5/12 Tr 0030 WSMJ 0100 WNDJ 0230 WRDU 0300 WGRQ 5/23 Es (MUF 94.3)

0005 WAGO 88.7 NC Snow Hill, q

3/10 Tr (EST)

2200 WBBC

2100 WJLC

4/23 Tr

5/1 Tr

105.7 VA Richmond, k. "The River" 104.9 VA White Stone, m, "Windy 105" 106.1 NC Wilson, rp

Dan Oetting

107 S. Tartan Dr.

[']Elkton, MD 21921

95.9 VA Colonial Beach, o. "Q-96" 0830 WUNC 91.5 NC Chapel Hill, c, wx

2102 WQZX 94.3 AL Greenville, k, "Q-94.3"

element FM yagi @ 12' AGL in attic

Well, as you can see, I've moved. I'm about 40

miles SSW of my old location in Phoenixville PA.

I'm in the NE corner of MD. As a matter of fact. I

kitchen window with binoculars. Because of the

distance from my old location, I'm starting over

have about 200 stations from Elkton MD. My

the NW to north (I'm on the downslope of a hill

and one minor Es since moving here in late

February. Tropo scatter to NC and WV is

facing south). I have had 2 good tropo openings

common. Also, many Tidewater VA stations come

93.5 VA Blackstone, k, "Bobcat"

in by gw. Here are some of the more interesting

catches that I've had. All are new from Eikton.

98.3 VA Clarksville, k

can see the Delaware state line road sign from my

from scratch as far as the station count. Right now

clearest frequency is 88.7. My location is excellent

for DX from the south, but quite poor for signals to

2143 WRBH 88.3 LA New Orleans, t 2200 KRVS 88.7 LA Lafayette, j 5/27 Tr

0930 WBPP 104.9 VA Strasburg, k, NJ off 5/31 Tr 1910 WQOK 97.5 VA South Boston, s. "K-97.5"

6/6 Tr 0100 WRVS 89.9 NC Elizabeth City, s, s/off, OEL off 0116 WYFL 92.5 NC Henderson, a

0128 WFLO 95.7 VA Farmville, m 0130 All Richmond area stations in solid!

0135 WPTM 102.3 NC Roanoke Rapids, k 0200 WTRG 100.7 NC Rocky Mount, o 0207 WFXK 104.3 NC Tarboro, s, "Foxy"

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0950 WSRV 92.3 VA Deltaville, "Surf 92.3," o

By the way, the 106.3 xltr in Dover DE is a xltr of WXPZ 101.3. It gets out well. Also, WOEL 89.9 is off every Sunday morning Midnight to 7AM. Hope the Es season kicks in soon!

Eric Bueneman (NOVIH) - 631 Coachway Lane-Hazelwood, MO 63042-1347 - (314) 839-9751 (prepaid only) - E-mail: NOUIHEric@gol.com http://members.aol.com/nOuiheric/k-index.html

Realistic STA-90. Radio Shack VU-210XR with Archerotor at 33' AGL. Miles/kilometers.

2/17 Tr (CST) 95.9 MO Salem, classic r, legal ID 2348 KKID through WOLG 90/145 2/25 Tr (CST) 0637 WKXQ 92.5 IL Rushville, local nx, ads, calls, ACI from WIL 92.3 125/201 0642 KZZK 105.9 MO New London, Bob & Tom. promos, calls, AOR, ACI from

KPNT 105.7 85/137 6/4 Tc 2032 WGLO 95.5 IL Pekin, "95-5 GLO," AOR, Peoria ads, local WFUN off 140/225 2055 WBNQ 101.5 IL Bloomington, calls, local ads, CHR, over WCIL/KPLA 135/217

2110 WJVO 105.5 IL South Jacksonville, calls, k. o/W288AW, ACI from KPNT 105.7 70/113

2350 WSTO 96.1 KY Owensboro, "The New Mix 96 STO," hot AC, ads, ACI from

KIHT 96.3 195/314 6/5.Tr 0002 WTRH 93.3 IL Ramsey, Bible reading, soft Christian mx // WJLY 88.3. thru KNSX 70/113 0023 WMMC 105.9 IL Marshall, "Magic 106," hot AC,

ACI from KPNT 105.7 155/249 6/6 Tr 0010 KOKX 95.3 IA Keokuk, "Country 95," k, local WFUN 95.5 off 125/201

0013 KWKZ 106.1 MO Charleston, "Pure Country 106.1," ko, w/KOQL 140/225 0105 WCBF 102.1 KY Clinton, classic hits, legal ID // WDXR 94.3 160/257

0138 KIYS 101.9 AR Jonesboro, "101.9 Kiss FM," CHR, intermittent \$ 200/322 0140 KKLR MO Poplar Bluff, "Clear 94," k, ACI from KSHE 94.7 145/233 0146 KJEZ 95.5 MO Poolar Bluff, "Classic 95.5."

Was able to catch three new stations in February. KKID 95.9 was finally heard (never heard as

classic r. WFUN off 145/233

KSMO or KMMC from Hazelwood) through semi-local WOLG with classic rock (unknown if they are programming for the Rolla market). Later in the month brought WKXQ 92.5 (I did hear this

one in the '80s on 96.7) and KZZK 105.9 (carrying the same morning show as KSHE 94.7). An era in St. Louis radio ended on June 4 when WFUN 95.5 signed off it's locally oriented pre-teen format for the last time. Arch Radio is taking over the station, and leasing it to Radio One. A call letter/format change will have taken place by the time you read this. With WFUN off, I was able to pull in WGLO and KJEZ, along with adjacent channel KOKX 95.3. On June 4. WRXX dominated 95.3 and WCRC was in like a local on 95.7. The morning of June 5 brought WTRH 93.3 (for a call letter change, x-WJLY, which is now on 88.3) and WMMC 105.9. Also noted a format change on KWKZ 106.1 (changing from hot k to ko). 73, Eric (NOUIH)

Pat Dyer - WA5IYX 5315 Silvertip Drive San Antonio, TX 78228-2744 http://home.sw/bell.net/pidyer/index.html pjdyer3@juno.com CST

Realistic TM-1001 tuner (two IF mod w/150 kHz filters) into Allied 426. 52 ohm step-attenuator box used to reduce local intermod/overload when needed, 6 element Archer antenna at 20' with rotor, 1950's (tube) Narco Omnigator used for most of the navaids.

ı					
	8/3/9	B Es			
ĺ	1620	KELO	92.5	SD	Sioux Falls, ID 978
ı	1623	KFNW	97.9	ND	Fargo, ID 1215
i	1626	KXRA	92.7	MN	Alexandria, town ID 1150
i	1626	KKCO	96.7	MN	Bagley, area ads 1264
Ì	1633	KQAA	94.9	SD	Aberdeen, ID, "Cool" 1106
	1634	KBRK	93.7	SD	Brookings, area & local ads
ı					1031
į	1636	KBOT	104.1	MN	Pelican Rapids, "Wild Country"
ĺ					1195
	1638	KSCR	93.5	MN	Benson, area PSAs 1108
ĺ	1642	KKOK	95.7	MN	Morris, ID 1125
	1645	KSEZ	97.9	IA	Sioux City, local ad 909
	1648	KJJK	96.5	MN	Fergus Falls, ID 1168
	1659	KRCQ	102.3	MN	Detroit Lakes, k, ID 1208
	8/4 E	5			
	0844	WAAG	94.9	IL	Galesburg, local ad 919
	0849	KORB	93.5	IA	Bettendorf, "Planet" 955
	0858	WNFR	90.7	MI	Sandusky, WNFA net ID 1295
ļ	2009	WJPD	92.3	MI	Ishpeming, town ID 1321
į	2018	WZTR	95.7	WI	Milwaukee, o, local ad 1111
Į	2020	WZRK	93.5	Mi	Hancock, area ad 1244
	2022	WAIR	92.5	MI	Atlanta, area ad 1325
1	2025	KQDY	94.5	ND	
	2034	WKLH	96.5	WI	Milwaukee, "KLH" 1112
	2052	WVKS	92.5	ОН	Toledo, regional ad 1183
	8/6 E				. •
		WYFL	92.5	NC	Henderson, BBN net 1269

0950 WXRA 94.5 NC Eden, area ads 1181

0954 WTQR 104.1 NC Winston-Salem, ID 1157

0959 WRVQ 94.5 VA Richmond, "Q-94" 1340

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1026 WKRR	92.3	NC	Asheboro, area ad 1174
1028 WYFQ	93.5	NC	Wadesboro, ID 1134
1029 WFAE	90.7	NC	
1033 WLJA	93.5		
1035 WKKT	96.9		
1035 WXRC	95.7		Hickory, ID 1101
1037 WFMX	105.7		
1039 WESC	92.5	SC	Greenville, area ad 1011
1042 WTFM	98.5	TN	
1046 WXBQ	96.9	TN	
1048 WXLK	92.3	VA	
			1118
1049 WPVR	94.9		
1053 WMEV	93.9		
1059 WAIN	93.5		
1100 WRVC	92.7		
1107 WXCC			Williamson, ID 1095
1113 WMXL	94.5		
1119 WTCR			Huntington, ID 1113
1121 WPAY			Portsmouth, local ad 1095
1122 WZIO	94.9		South Webster, area ads 1110
1125 WRKA	103.1		
1128 MYS	108.2	KY	Mystic, Morse ID-VOR 917
1130 <u>FTK</u>	109.6	KY	Fort Knox, Morse ID-VOR 929
1131 <u>CCT</u>	109.8	KY	Central City, Morse ID-VOR
			851
1133 OWB	108.6	KY	Owensboro, Morse ID-VOR
			870
1134 HNB	109.2	IN	Huntingburg, Morse ID-VOR
			901
1136 <u>IPAH</u>	108.5	KY	Paducah, Morse ID-ILS 772
1138 <u>OOM</u>	110.2	IN	Bloomington, Morse ID-ILS
			954
1146 MTO	109.4	IL.	Matoon, Morse ID-VOR 905
1148 DNV	111.0		Danville, Morse ID-VOR 973
1150 CMI	110.0		Champaign, Morse ID-VOR
THE SHIP			934
1152 MWA	110.4		Marion, Morse ID-VOR 794
1155 IIKK	109.7		Kankakee, Morse ID-ILS
1100 IIIA	105.7	11	1004
1223 WWCT	105.7		Peoria, local & area ads 932
1224 WBWI	92.5	WI	
1234 WQLH	98.5	Wi	
1239 KKMI			
1239 KKWII	93.5	IA	Burlington, local & area PSAs
4242 MOUV	00.7	140	890
1242 WDUX	92.7	WI	Waupaca, ID 1154
1242 WOLX	94.9	WI	Baraboo, area & local ads
0405.			1084
8/16 Es			
0825 KSTP	94.5		Minneapolis, "KS-95" 1118
0826 KQRS	92.5	MN	Golden Valley, "KQ-92"
			1118
0856 WTBX	93.9		Hibbing, area ads 1273
0859 KMFY	96.9		Grand Rapids, ID 1260
0903 KMXK	94.9	MN	Cold Spring, "Mid MN Oldies"
			1124
0919 KJJK	96.5	MN	Fergus Falls, "Country 96"
			1168
0922 KKOK			Morris, ID 1125
0926 KELO	92.5		Sioux Falls, local ad 978
0927 KBOT	104.1	MN	Pelican Rapids, "Wild Country"
			1195
0928 KXRA	92.3		Alexandria, "KX-92" 1150
0929 KFNW	97.9	ND	Fargo, ID 1215
0936 KQLX	106.1		Lisbon, ID 1174
0939 KQAA	94.9		Aberdeen, ID, "Cool 95" 1106
0942 KSCR	93.5		Benson, regional ID 1108
0943 KMIT	105.9	SD	Mitchell, ID 983
A very hefty			Es for the late part of the
			ust 6 VOR/ILS catches
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were the best since May 28, with the IPAH path implying an MUF of 129 Mhz for someone. As is usually the case, the ILS "aim" almost matches the bearing to here (IPAH aims 224 deg vs 230 and IIKK aims 219 deg vs 221). 73, Pat - WA5IYX



Gus Mancuso 5706 Greenleaf Rd. Cheverly, MD 20785-1112 EDT

No DX to report yet. FCC has shut down another FM pirate, "Echos of Salvation," on 87.9, broadcasting from Silver Spring MD in SS (see 5/21 Washington Times). Community Radio on 104.5 in Bryans Road MD is the only pirate left in the area.

If I attend this summer's convention, I will bring a tape of the Twilight Zone episode "What's in the Box," which deals with a mystery TV channel being received in New York City. Those who attended the 1989 convention may recall the episode I showed which had radio DX in the plot. Have moved to a new house in which I am slightly below ground level. Need to put up a roof antenna.



John Zondlo 1009 Driftwood Circle Yukon, OK 73099 jpzondlo@aol.com CDT

Akai AT-VO4 tuner (modified with 2 150 kHz IF filters), Channel Master Stereo Probe 9 antenna. All new.

4/28 Tr				
2331 KC	:BI	90.9	TX	Dallas, rel, local KOKF off 195
2336 KI	ICT	90.9	KS	Hutchinson, Radio Kansas, KOKF off 179
5/9 Tr				
0935 W	KCT	100.7	LA	Baton Rouge, k, "Tiger Country" 520
5/14 Tr				
0947 KK	YN	103.9	TΧ	Plainview, local ads, k 243
0958 KF				
1032 KC	RM	99.5	TX	Lubbock, classic r 268
0830 KJ	RT	88.3	TX	Amarillo, rel 230
0830 KA	SV	88.7	TX	Borger, // KJRT 207
5/18 Es				•
1300 W	FSQ	91.5	FL	Tallahassee, ID 857
5/28 Es				·
1130 KB	HZ	91.9	MN	Willmar, "Praise FM" 679
1133 CK	SB9	89.1	ON	Fort Frances, FF 932
1135 KK	JM	92.9	MN	St. Joseph, "Spirit 93" CCM
				717
1146 KD	OG	96.7	MN	North Mankato, local ads 631
1149 CN	_T	96.7	MB	Steinbach, "Star 96"
5/29 Es				•
2043 CH	IAY	93.1	ON	Barrie, local ads 1138
6/1 Tr				•
0835 KT	FW	92.1	TΧ	Glen Rose, k 226
	2331 KC 2336 KI 5/9 Tr 0935 W. 5/14 Tr 0947 KK 0958 KF 1032 KC 0830 KJ 5/18 Es 1130 KB 1130 KB 1133 KK 1135 KK 1146 KD 1149 CII 5/29 Es 2043 CH 6/1 Tr	2331 KCBI 2336 KHCT 5/9 Tr 0935 WXCT 5/14 Tr 0947 KKYN 0958 KFLL 1032 KCRM 0830 KJRT 0830 KASV 5/18 Es 1300 WFSQ 5/28 Es 1130 KBHZ 1133 CKSB9 1135 KKJM 1146 KDOG 1149 CILT 5/29 Es 2043 CHAY 6/1 Tr	2331 KCBI 90.9 2336 KHCT 90.9 5/9 Tr 0935 WXCT 100.7 5/14 Tr 0947 KKYN 103.9 0958 KFLL 95.3 1032 KCRM 99.5 0830 KJRT 88.3 0830 KASV 88.7 5/18 Es 1300 WFSQ 91.5 5/28 Es 1130 KBHZ 91.9 1135 KKJM 92.9 1146 KDOG 96.7 1149 CILT 96.7 5/29 Es 2043 CHAY 93.1	2331 KCBI 90.9 TX 2336 KHCT 90.9 KS 5/9 Tr 0935 WXCT 100.7 LA 5/14 Tr 0947 KKYN 103.9 TX 0958 KFLL 95.3 TX 0830 KJRT 88.3 TX 0830 KJRT 88.3 TX 0830 KASV 86.7 TX 5/18 Es 1130 KBHZ 91.9 MN 1133 CKSB9 89.1 ON 1135 KKJM 92.9 MN 1146 KDOG 96.7 MB 5/29 Es 2043 CHAY 93.1 ON 9/1 Tr

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6/2.Tr			
0805 KLMN	89.1	TΧ	Amarillo, "Family Life Radio"
			230
0818 KJCM	100.3	OK	Snyder, CCM, new stn
0900 KAVO	91.5	TX	Borger, ID 207
0910 KQTY	106.7	TΧ	Borger 207
6/3 Tr			
0829 KIXO	106.1	OK	Sulphur, new freq 81
0834 KTGS	89.9	OK	Ada, "The Gospel Stn" 79
0917 KMAD	102.5	OK	Madill, new freq 112
ngg7 KXAR	101.7	AR	Hone s 268

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From the Editor

Great support for the column this month, folks, despite the lack of Es. As this is being written, Es has been pretty meager around here. Hopefully there will be lots of it coming up to make a great August column. See y'all next month!

WEBsitings

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TV WEBSITE SEARCH ENGINES

USA TV Online



www.metronet.com/~chipk/usatv.html

This is undoubtedly, graphically the best TV search engine on the internet. It currently lists 2743 television stations, searches by state, provides fcc data for each station, and then links to the stations' website.

http://personal.bellsouth.net/~w9wi

Our very own Doug Smith, w9wi, maintains his upcoming TV database on the internet at the above url address.



He's designed it so that you can pull up each television channel and see the entire channel list alphabetically by state, listing main power stations first, then lptv's at the bottom of the

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http://members.tripod.com/theslack/ustvst.html

Here is another search engine that is graphically user-friendly and uses the 'search by state' method. When the page comes up with the state you're searching, it provides a drop down box of all television stations in that state and then links you to that stations' website. You can also link to the networks from this search engine.

http://www.gebbieinc.com/tvintro.html

This is another part of the search engine that was mentioned on the FM search engine page. It has direct links to television station internet websites, using the 'search by state'. It does not use the fcc.gov search engine.



The Worldwide
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welcomes you to this site

EASTERN TU DX

Russell Miller HC 61, Box 86B N. Amity, ME 04471-9622 email address - estvdx@ainop.com

July, 1999

LOCAL TIME UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

Roy Barstow, P.O. Box 2488, Teaticket MA 02536

46 NIL

May, 1999

09 Tr 2015 W16BC

09	Tr	2015	W16BC	16	NH		
			W36BK	36	VA		400
			WNCN	17	NC		592
		2100	WUNP	36	NC		533
			WYDO	14	NC		562
11	Es	1400	WEDU	3	FL	1	153
		1430	WESH	2	FL	1	059
12	Tr	0730	W36BK	36	VA		400
			WRAY	30	NC		565
14	Es	1815	KGAN	2	IA	1	091
			WBAY	2	WI		898
		1830	WJMN	3	Mi		870
			KIMT	3	IA	1	035
16	Tr	0000		9	NB		345
			CBHT3	11	NS		279
19	Tr	0135	WNGN	29	NYT:	S/Off	
	Es	1930	WPBT	2	FL	1	209
			WCBI	4	MS	1	132
			WEDU	3	FL	1	153
	Ms	2325	WRBL	3	GA	1	007
21	Es	1115	WCTV		GA	1	056
			WKRG	5	AL	1	215
			WJXT		FL		990
	Tr	2310	WXOBLP	14	VA		471
			WYDO	14	NC		562
			WTMW	14	VA		400
			The Military	y Ch	annel		
		2345	W24BI	24	VA		450
			W45BG		VA		456
			WRAY		NC		565
			WNCN	17	NC		592
			W18BS		VA		450
			WVIR		VA		486
			W36BK		VA		400
22	Tr	0005	WUNU		NC		640
			WLFL		NC		600
			W31BG		VA		440
			WITF		PATP	olish	
		0145	WUNK		NC		562
			WUNP		NC		533
		0235	WHMC		SC		702
			WJPM		SC		708
			WRAZ		NC		600
	_		WRPX		NC		550
-	Es		WESH		FL		059
		1245	WEDU	3	FL	1	153

What's that, you can't afford a rotator or worse yet, the rotor broke and it's free-wheeling! (No, that's not Free Willie, this is no fish story or How The Big One Got Away) this is how to catch that Big Tropo DX.

Roy the Boy will fix you up. The object is to control that free-wheeling antenna – all you have to do is to put a tail or a fin on the top back of the antenna – now you have a DX weather vane. It will always point to that tropo DX. With a high pressure system coming your way, the wind will come from that same direction and your weather vane DX antenna will be pointing right at it and DX will pour in. Editor: Great idea Roy! But one question – what do I do with my coax?

Peter J. Giacopelli, KB2DY, 30 Peconic Drive, Massapequa, NY 11758-8317 dypete@aol.com/ms933310@nassaulibrary.org

Equipment: SONY 13" TV Model No. KV1326R Supplied rabbit ears antenna

May, 1999

28 Tr	2200	WLNE	6	MA	New Bedford	149
1	2210	WJAR	10	Ri	Providence	133
31 Es	2035	WPBT	2	FL	Miami	1097
}	2030	WEDU	3	FL	Tampa	1015
Tr	2335	WCAU	10	PA	Philadelphia	99
l	2215	WHYY	12	DΕ	Wilmington	126

Russell Miller, HC61, Box 86B, N.Amity, ME 04471

May, 1999

14 Es	1856	WSMVTV	4	TN	1194
	1859	WKRN	2	TN	1194
	1900	WMCTV	5	TN	1382
	1905	WAVE	3	KY	1057
	1925	WTWO	2	IN	1086
17 Tr	0900	WTXF	29	PA	
Es	0115	WKRN	2	TN	1194
	1724	WTAE	4	PA	718
		KDKA	2	PA	718
	1816	WCBD	2	SC	1111
	1821	WWAY	3	NC	966
		WTKR	3	VA	771
	2030	Texas hea	rd 6	meters	
Tr	2300	WTXF	29	PA	550
		WHSP	65	NJ	573
18 Tr	0650-	0930			
		WUTB	24	MD	637
		WCVETV	23	VA	762
		WMPT	22	MD	649
		WBFF	45	MD	637
	Scran	ton, Wilkes	Ban	STRON	IG
		WDCATV	20	DC	
		WVIR	29	VA	769
		WWLF(t)	56	PA	

Comments: I will never again claim bad luck. I installed a 6 meter antenna on May 15, 1999. Less than one hour later I had a quick contact with LU2FFD of Rosario, Argentina. Propagation unknown. No Es on TV detected. So far, on 6 meters I've heard 2 Es to Texas twice. May 26th, apparent multi-hop to Canary Islands allowed for two 6 meter contacts. Es to my west allowed me to hear mid-west 6 meter hams contacting Spain and Portugal. May 30 more 6 meter multi-hop Es allowed me QSO's with Spain, Portugal, and France. As this last opening faded, I heard a ham near Roy Barstow's location contacting Spain. Roy may have had Spain etc. TV video buzz on several frequencies. I plain forgot to check for video buzz with all the 6 meter excitement. Also, heard the Greenland 6 meter beacon twice. And last but not least, I had a QSO with Tom Yingling Jr. without even knowing it was him. Just some guy named Tom. Now is the big season to send in your reports. May the Force be with you all, Hi Hi!

Doug Smith, 1385 Old Clarksville Pike, Pleasant View, TN 37146-8098

April, 1999

0806			478 g*
	WVLA	33 LA	local weather 483
0827	WGNO	26 LA	472
	w/Metario	enews	
0815	WGIQ	43 AL	336
	Birmingh	am area 13	3/21/33/40/42/ ~200
	44/60		
0830	WCIQ	7 AL	213
	0827 0815	w/*CBS 1 WVLA 0827 WGNO w/Metarie 0815 WGIQ Birmingh 44/60	0827 WGNO 26 LA w/Metarie news 0815 WGIQ 43 AL Birmingham area 13 44/60

May, 1999

40.5-		12111			004
18 Es	1144	KIII			861
		Skip to FM, to		em Mexico	
21 Es	1810	CBWFT	3 MB		1060
		w/news in Fr	ench		
	1900	KBME	3 ND		997
		w/Prairie Put	lic TV II)	
		Following TB	N-produ	ced program	on
		pipe organs .	•		
	1954	KWGN			1011
	1004	"Denver's W			
	2020	KRMAt			
				In sect ID	4004
		KOTA		legal ID	1001
22 Es	1028	<u>CITO</u>			884
		w/Kapuskasi	ng ad		
25 Tr	0730	Cincinnati 9/	12/48		~230
	0731	WIPX 6	3 IN		214
		Es also in to	channe	12	
26 Es	1117	Briefly into ch	nannel 2	maybe ch.3	
27 Tr		WCOV 2			283
					200
C8	1001	To Channel 3	s; wyon	ning in on Fix	
73, Do	oug				

Jim Ayers, 2497 Wind Forest Court, Norcross, GA 30071 jimayers@raider.net

March, 1999

12 Tr 0752 <u>W47BS</u> 47 AL Religious 119 (B'ham & Anniston extra-strong)

April, 1999

0 Tr	0920	WCBD	2	sc		271
		strong CCI	to k	ocal		
	0924	WCSC	5	SC		271
		20 kHz CC	to	ocal		
1 Tr	0819	WBFS	33	FL	1D	599
	0823	WLTV	23	FL	Spanish	598
	0836	WHFT	45	FL	TBN	598
22 Tr	0748	WPMI	15	ΑL	news	303
23 Tr		WAGA-DT	27	GA	new on-air	
28 Tr	0735	W42AO	42	GA	//WATC-57	46
		ex-TBN, ov	er k	ocal V	V42BQ	
		14.2 kW no	W, t	up fro	m 822 w.	

May, 1999

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44	т	0745	1A/4EAC	45	= 1	INAICEL ES	264
11	11					//WGFL-53	
		0809				Fox	243
			audio over				
			W23AQ				
21	Tr					TBN	
			WGSA-LP				223
		0739	WGSA-LP				222
					ging (channels, cun	rently
			on 38 <u>and</u> 9	50!			
		0759	W31BS	31	SC		191
			tp //WQHB	-63			
		0815	WWMB	21	SC		282
			WRNN-FM	sim	ulcas	t using in-stud	lio
			video feeds	•			
22	Tr	0722	WACH	57	SC		186
			completely	bur	ying r	ny local WATO	
		0728	W43BS	43	SČ	-	184
			tp //WQHB	-63			
23	Es	1948	KWSE	4	ND	Prairie Public	1413
			farthest to	date	from	Atlanta	
			KBME				1232
		2023	WDAY	6	ND	calls, #300	1129
	101	12158	KPLO	6	SD	calls	1076
		2305	KXJB	4	ND	calls, KX-4	1147
29	Tr	0826	WTOC				211
			strong CCI	to k	cal		
30	Tr	0830	WSFX			Fox 347	
		0858	WEBA	14	SC		171
			strong CCI	to k	cal		
			• •		-		

Strongest signals ever seen on xtrs at such distances 11 May and 21 May. Enhanced tropo this spring is infrequent but interesting.

73's Jim

WESTERN TV-DX

July 1999

Victor Frank 12450 Skyline Bivd. Woodside, CA 94062-4554 e-mall frank@horizon.sri.com (650)851-7031

Fernando Garcia, San Salvador 415, Rincon de la Sierra, Cd Guadalupe, NL, 67181 MEXICO ac001984@acnet.net,

FTD is furthest tropo of the day.
TSLD Total of stations logged on the day.
Equipment: Sony KV-27EXR15,Screened CM 7'dish
85',RG11, UA900 amp. Sony KV-13TR27,CM 1110
30',CM 8 bay UHF array 60' .1800' ASL,

No re-logs in the same month, only tropo 500+ miles.

May 5	5				CDT
0315	KADN	15	LA	Lafayette	586
	KVHP		LA		530
	KLPB	24	LA		567
	KLTL	18	LA		548
0330	WVLA	33	LA	Baton Rouge	633
	WUPL	54	LA		705
	WLPB	27	LA	Baton Rouge	638
	KLAX	31	LA	Alexandria	618
0345	KLAF-LP	62	LA	Opelousas UPN	600
	K69HD	69	LA	Church Point UPN	586
0615	WGMB	44	LA	Baton Rouge	633
	K56DR	56	LA	Baton Rouge TBN	633
	WMAU	17	MS	Bude	697
	KAJN-LP	40	LA	Lafayette FN	586
May 6	,			•	
0700	WTTA	38	FL	St. Petersburg	1116
	WBHS	50	FL	Tampa	1116
May 7				·	
0515	WHNO	20	LA	New Orleans	688
	WNOL	38	LA	New Orleans	694
	WPXL	49	LA	New Orleans	688
0630	WMAH	19	MS	Biloxi	770
0645	WLAE	32	LA	New Orleans	694
	TSLD:LA(8),N	IS(1))	
May 8					
0415	KXTX	39	ΤX	Dallas	518
	KDTX	58	ΤX	Dallas	518
	KETK		TX	Jacksonville	532
	KFXK		ΤX		557
0430	KFAM-LP				572
	K46DG		LA		587
	K46CR		LA		645
	K49DE		LA		596
	KLFT-LP		LA	Lafayette BOX	592
	TSLD:LA(19),			
	FTD		LA	Slidell	705
May 1					
	TSLD:TX(1)			
	FTD		ΤX	Dallas	518
May 1	_				
0515	KAMC		ΤX	Lubbock	553
20	TSLD:TX(2)			

					(400)00	
	May 1	2				
		TSLD:TX	(1)			
	1	FTD		ΤX	Dallas	518
	May 1	_				
	2200			LA	New Orleans	694
	1 Admir 4	TSLD:LA	(4)			
	May 1 0530	KACY-LP	24	TV	Hauston	400
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	1	TSLD:LA	'91 T			703
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	0000		25	LA	Alexandria	619
	0445	KFWD	52	TX	Fort Worth	522
	0500	KDFI	27	TX	Dallas	518
	0800	WPMI	15	ΑL	Mobile	838
		TSLD:LA((13),	MS(1),TX(4)	
	May 1					
	0230	WDBD			Jackson	754
	0430	KLDT			Lake Dailas	544
	0400	KHSX		TX		518
	2100	KMSS		LA		615
		W65CE		LA		615
	1	FTD	1),L		2),MS(2),TX(7) Mobile	838
	May 1			^L	MODILE	030
	0345	WAPT	16	MS	Jackson	754
	5515	KASN		AR		772
	l	KYPX			Little Rock	803
		KUVN-LP				521
	0400	KPXD	68	TX	Arlington	518
	1	KLRT	16	AR	Little Rock	782
		KTXA		TΧ		518
	İ	KMPX		ΤX		537
	0630	WXVT			Greenville	794
		WIIQ			Demopolis	877
	0700	KARD		LA		659
		WPAN	53	FL	Fort Walton Beach	
		WHBR WEIQ			Pensacola	838
	2215	WMPV			Mobile Mobile	825 842
	2213				FL(2),LA(12),MS(3),	
	May 2		7,7	`(5).	1 L(2),LA(12),NIS(3),	17(11)
	1	FTD		ΤX	Dallas	518
		TSLD:TX(1)			• • •
	May 2	•	•			
		FTD		LA	New Orleans	694
		TSLD:LA(7),T	K(5)		
	May 22					
i	0300	K59DG			New Orleans TBN	
	1000	KSHV			Shreveport	616
		KLTS			Shreveport	616
	2200	WAFB			Baton Rouge	638
		TSLD:AL(
		FTD		AL	Mobile	838
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Western TV DX F. Garcia's report continues

3				
WXXV				764
K66FI	66	LA		599
K52EV	52	LA	Leesville FOX	574
K67GL	67	LA	Bunkie FOX	614
K61GO	61	LA	Hicks FOX	581
K51EC	51	LA	Lake Charles TBN	532
K47DW	47	LA	Alexandria FOX	611
K55HA	55	LA	New Iberia UPN	596
KLSB	19	TX	Nacogdoches	517
KFXL-LP	30	TX	Lufkin FOX	515
KLNM-LP	42	ΤX	Lufkin A1	520
TSLD:AL(1),L	A(32)MS(4),TX(8)	
FTD	•	ÀL	Mobile	838
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	22)N	//S(2),TX(1)	
FTD `	•	MŠ	Biloxi	770
5				
	6),N	IS(1)	,TX(1)	
FTD	•			770
6				
	36	MS	Mccomb TBN	710
TSLD:AL(1),L	A(11),MS(6),TX(2)	
FTD	•	ÀL	Mobile	838
9				
TSLD:TX(1)			
FTD	•	TX	Dallas	518
0				
	3)			
FTD `	•	TX	Dallas	518
1				
K30EA	30	ΤX	Texarkana TBN	651
NJUEA				
	21	LA	Minden	640
		LA OK	Minden Oklahoma City	640 706
	K66FI K52EV K67GL K61GO K51EC K47DW K55HA KLSB KFXL-LP TSLD:AL(FTD TSLD:LA(FTD W36AC TSLD:AL(FTD TSLD:TX(FTD TSLD:TX(WXXV 25 K66FI 66 K52EV 52 K67GL 67 K61GO 61 K51EC 51 K47DW 47 K55HA 55 KLSB 19 KFXL-LP 30 KLNM-LP 42 TSLD:LA(22)N FTD TSLD:LA(6),M FTD W36AC 36 TSLD:AL(1),L FTD TSLD:TX(1) FTD TSLD:TX(1) FTD TSLD:TX(3) FTD	WXXV 25 MS K66FI 66 LA K52EV 52 LA K67GL 67 LA K61GO 61 LA K51EC 51 LA K55HA 55 LA KLSB 19 TX K55HA 55 LA KLSB 19 TX KFXL-LP 30 TX KLMM-LP 42 TX TSLD:AL(1),LA(32 FTD MS 5 TSLD:LA(22)MS(2 FTD MS 6 W36AC 36 MS TSLD:AL(1),LA(11 FTD AL 9 TSLD:TX(1) FTD TX 0 TSLD:TX(3) FTD TX	WXXV 25 MS Gulfport K66FI 66 LA Opelousas TBN K52EV 52 LA Leesville FOX K61GC 67 LA Bunkie FOX K61GC 61 LA Hicks FOX K51EC 51 LA Lake Charles TBN K47DW 47 LA Alexandria FOX K55HA 55 LA New Iberia UPN KLSB 19 TX Nacogdoches KFXL-LP 30 TX Lufkin FOX KLMM-LP 42 TX Lufkin A1 TSLD:AL(1),LA(32)MS(4),TX(8) FTD AL Mobile 4 TSLD:LA(22)MS(2),TX(1) FTD MS Biloxi 5 TSLD:LA(6),MS(1),TX(1) FTD MS Biloxi 6 W36AC 36 MS Mccomb TBN TSLD:AL(1),LA(11),MS(6),TX(2) FTD AL Mobile 9 TSLD:TX(1) FTD TX Dallas 0 TSLD:TX(3) FTD TX Dallas

Most logged stations for each state.

Calls	City	ST	days
WPMI	Mobile	ĀL	6
KASN	Pine Bluff	AR	1
KLRT	Little Rock	AR	1
KYPX	Little Rock	AR	1
WBHS	Tampa	FL	1
WHBR	Pensacola	FL	1
WPAN	Fort Walton Beach.	FL	1
WITA	St. Petersburg	FL	1
KADN	Lafayette	LA	14
WMAH	Biloxi	MS	7
KAUT	Oklahoma C.	OK	1
KXTX	Dallas	TX	18

This month was the worst month of May since 1994. I hope Summer bring good openings to North Kansas-Missouri.

73's Fernando

Pat Dyer, WA5IYX, 5315 Silvertip Drive, San Antonio, TX 78228-2744

Equipment: 1987 Emerson 872 VCR as tuner into 1994 Keepsafer 9" b&w CCTV monitor; 1973 Archer V-100 antenna and 8-bay bow-tie UHF array at 20' with rotor

May		(all Es)	_		UTC
20		WSJK		TN Sneedville	
21		WBAY-	2		
21		KXMA	2		
21		KGFE	2		
21		KGAN	2		
21		wtwo	2	IN Terre Haute	
21		WJBK-	_		
21		KUSD-	2		
21		KNOP-	2	NE North Platte	
24	0151		2		
24	1539	KOTA-	3		
24	1555		2	WY Casper	
29	1559	KQTV	2	MO St. Joseph	
29	1621	WTWO	2	IN Terre Haute	
29	1629	WBBM-	2	IL Chicago	
29	1644	WCIA	3	IL Champaign	
29	1658	WWMT	3	MI Kalamazoo	
29	1713	KTVI	2	MO St. Louis	
30	1559	WAVE-	3	KY Louisville (xmtr in	ı IN)
30		WSYX	6	OH Columbus	
30	1659	KUSD-	2	SD Vermillion	
30	1737	KIMT	3	IA Mason City	
30	1758	WBAY-	2	WI Green Bay	
30	1803	KDLO-	3		
31	0141	KUSD-	2	SD Vermillion	
31	0546	KIMT	3	IA Mason City	
31	1721	wtwo	2	IN Terre Haute	
June	10, 19	99 (Es)			
1859	WSJ	<u>-</u> ` وُ	ΤN	Sneedville	1012
1907	WCB	D 2	sc	Charleston	1141
1911	WAV	E- 3	ΚY	Louisville (IN)	976
1926	WDTI	N 2	ОН	l Dayton	1078
1930	WBT\	/ 3	NC	Charlotte	1092
1959	KTVI	2	MC	St. Louis	783
2028	WISC	- 3	WI	Madison	1065
2047	KGAN	1 2	IA	Cedar Rapids	962
2049	WBA'	Y- 2	WI	Green Bay	1184
2057	KTVC	3	MC) Kirksville	839
2114	WSA	Z- 3	w	/ Huntington	1124
2142	WMA	R- 2	MD	Baltimore	1421
2233	KDKA	- 2	PA	Pittsburgh	1294
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Jeff Kadet, K1MOD, Box 20, Macomb, IL 61455

309 833-1809 jkadet@macomb.com

Rx: ICOM R-7100 w/video adapter or Zenith 13" color TV circa 1982 Ants: UHF: 7' screened CM dish up 85' w/RDX Labs pre-amp, .500 hardline Es: vertically polarized CM-1110 up 12' pointed 10° above horizon, Winegard AP-3800 pre-amp, RG-11

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Western	TV D	X Jeff Kadet's report co	ntinues
April 1999			CDT
	Houston	14, 26, 39, 67 799	CDI
0111 0200	KTAB	32 TX	751
	KLTJ	22 TX	805
		45 TX	807
2000		Northern ALs	450+
2000	WIIQ		580
May 1999			000
09 tr 1050	KWCV	33 KS	410
11 Es 1844		3 VT	951
1900	WESH	2 FL	956
1918	WCIV	4 SC	799
1946	WJXT	4 FL	870
	WJBF	6 GA	681
1958	WSAV	3 GA	780
2027	WDIQ	2 AL	660
18 Es 1030		3 shopping	
	unID	2 CB TP w/no ID	
1235	KIII	3 TX	968
1244	X	4+ cartoon	
1319	XEFB	2 NL	1162
	KPRC	2 TX	799
	CKCK	2 SK	959
	XHPN	3 CI	984
1334		6 cartoons // ch.4	
	KUAT	6 AZ	1240
1400		z female preacher/motivation	
	KMID	2 TX	866
	KPHO	5 AZ	1276
	unID	6- ABC	
	KOCT	6 NM	916

2 TX

4 AZ

3 CO

2 CO

2 LA

4 LA

3 MS

6 LA

3 FL

2 FL

2 NL

2 FL

2 FL

3 FL

4 FL

1557 XHAGU 2 AG ID slide

1400 XHQRO 2 QR local ads

2 QC

5 ME

2 ME

2 AL

both zero to each other; 1 w/info in vert. bar

Mexican State #13

1428 KACV

1500 KREG

1818 WBRZ

1900 WLBT

1400 WESH

1430 WPBT

1600 WFOR

1500 Cuba

1248 X---

1300 X---

2000 CFAP

2000 WDIQ

WABI

WLBZ

2100 WCTV 6 GA

KVOA

KWGN

WWL

tWDSU

WEDU

WESH

WEDU

XEFB

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		WSAV	3	GA	780
		WRBL	3	GA	650
		WCBD	2	SC	799
		WJXT	4	FL	870
24		WTVH		NY	771
				e way from ch.2-6	
	1130	CHRO	5	ON "RO" bottom r of	screen 775
27		CFAP	_	QC	1067
28	1400	CKBQ			1073
29	1111				1026
		X—		TV AZTECA XHDF TV	13" in vert. bar
	1135	XEFB	_	NL	1162
		KGBT	-		1070
	1230	KRGV	_	TX	878
		KIII	-	TX	968
		KUTV			1015
30	1020	KWGN			760
		X	4		
				- (I think; hard to tell du	
transm	itter) "T			XHDF TV 13" in ve	ert. bar
		KRIS	_	TX	962
		KCBSt			1580
			m	uch of it; big 6M 28	Es signals
	LA are	-			
Es		KMID			866
	1139			"XHGC-5" alternati	
			-	A MEXICO D.F." in	vert. bar
	1227		z		
				CA XHDF TV 13" in	
		WEDU	_	FL	1054
		KACV			708
	1837	KTVQ	2	MT	9 66

2133 WESH 2 FL

956

Fernando is getting the ch. 3 XHDF-13 relay as a semi-local and is going to drive around to try to find it. I think we should get a fund together to help him track down more of my unIDs.

Back 10-15 years ago almost every Mexican would superimpose their call letters on the screen once or twice an hour for up to a minute each. They always used the same generated easy to read text. It has gradually petered out to the point where I do not see any stations doing it anymore. Local ads are about the only way to ID these network relays now.

73, Jeff

708

1240

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763

Danny Oglethorpe, P.O. Box 6688, Shreveport, LA 71136-6688 Email: doglethorpe@yahoo.com
Tropo: No relogs under 400 miles; no LPTV relogs under 200 miles.
Es: Only the most productive day of each week. Plus

Es: Only the most productive day of each week. Plus new loggings.

М	ay 1	999				UTC
7	Ës	1520	KNAZ	2 AZ	Flagstaff	1045
8	tr	1250	KPXL	26 TX	Uvalde; Pax	419
9	tr	1210	K23EP	23 AR	El Dorado; KMCT-39	85

Wes	tern	TV DX	D.	. <i>O</i> g	lethorpe"s re	port c	ont'd
	1323	K36AB	36	OK	Lawton; OE	TA	309
14tr	1250					50	0-513
	2258	Valley 5,	7,	9,1	7, 23		
15Es	1528	Pittsburg	12,	4			945
	1617			MΙ			904
16tr	0110	Valley 7,					
17 tr	1010	WHOA	32	AL	Montgomery		436
18Es	1355	Miami 2,	4				939
	1610		2	ΑZ	Flagstaff		1045
	1635	WPTV		FL		Beach	912
		WTVJ	6	FL	Miami		939
	1720	WESH	2	FL	Daytona Be	ach	789
		WUFT	5	FL	Gainesville		703
	1810	KCSG	4	UT	Cedar City; I	Pax	1151
	1818	Salt Lake	e C	ity 2	. 5		1160
	1824	KNOP	2	NE	North Platte)	717
	1850	KPRY	4	SD	Pierre; KSF	Y-13	900
	1900	WJBK	2	MI	Detroit		904
	1912	KXMA	2	ND	Dickinson		1110
	1950	CKPR	2	ON	Thunder Bay; T	BT 2/5	1130
	1957	CHFD	4	ON	Thunder Bay; TE	BT 4/6	1130
	1959	KGAN	2	IA	Cedar Rapid	s	672
	2030	KGFE	2	ND	Grand Forks; F	rairie	1086
	2100	WBBM	2	IL	Chicago		737
	2150	Cuba	2	Tes	t Pattern		
	2329	WDTN	2	ОН	Dayton		735
	2335	WTTV	4	IN	Bloomington		619
	2340	WDIV	4	МІ	Detroit		904
	2345	wtwo	2	IN	Terre Haute		604
19Es	0030	WGRZ		NY	Buffalo		1091
	0043	CIII4t	4	ON	Owen Soun	d; Glo	bal
24Es	1340	KNOP	2	NE	North Platte	•	717
	1353	KIW	5	SD	Lead; KEVN	I-7	987
		KDUH	4	NE	Scottsbluff		852
	1400		2	WY	Casper, K2		996
	1425	KTVQ	2	мт	Billings		1215
		KGWL			Lander, KGWC	-14	1071
	1457	KGWN	5	WY	Cheyenne		859
		KCWC	4		Lander, WY	(PTV	
		Salt Lake	-				1160
	1550		4		Cedar City(Not	e#1)	1151
	1615				Flagstaff(Note		1045
25Es					4, 5 (Note #3		1003
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NOTES

1-KCSG-4 runs some programs that are not carried by Pax. "Andy Griffith" and "Perry Mason" were seen here.

2-KNAZ-2 now relays news from KPNX-12 Phoenix (News 12), but continues to use own logo and IDs.

3--XHG-4 IDs now have "GDL" below the 4.

4--CKYB-4/CKY-7 MB IDs show a big "5" logo. That is CKY-7's cable channel. Slogan is "Real TV." Thanks to Doug Smith and Tom Bryant for help with this one.

Jeff Kruszka, 5024 S. Braxton Ave., Baton Rouge, LA 70817

May 1999	CDT
4 tr 2209	XHAB 7 TA 505
5 tr 0537	XHFOX 17TA ID'ed CB's 535
	XHOR 14TAmixed SS and EE pgm 505
11 Es 1958	unid SS 4, 5
16 Es 2102	unid 3 SS audio briefly
18 Es 1837	WISCt 3 WI
1910	WFRVt 5 WI
1915	WTMJ 4 WI "TMJ 4" 885
23 Es 2015	unid CBS 4, CBC 5, PBS 3
2157	WTOM 4 Mi "7 & 4" 1110
	KLNE 3 NE ID 860
30 Es 0931	XHIT 4 CH supered ID 905
1130	ABC 4, PBS 3
1159	KTVS 3 CO CBS, Newschannel 5 945
1329	WTKRt 3 VA
31 Es 1149	unid SS 3-5
June 1999	
1 Es 1930	KFYR 5 ND ID 1240
1933	KOTAt 3 SD Home Improvement
2058	KSWK 3 KS PBS, 785- area code 760

Mike Cherry, VE7SKA, Box 631 Ganges PO, Salt Spring Is. BC V8K 2W2 CANADA

May 1999 28 Es 0246			UTC
28 Es 0246	KTVU	2 CA 190°	
		3\$ CA 190 °	
29 Es 1659	CKCK	2 SK 90°	

Frank Aden, N7SOK, 4096 Marcia Place, Boise, ID 83704

May 30, 1999

AZ running sports promo at 5:17 MDT. Nothing yet on ch. 5, local KIVI is running reduced power so ch. 5 right now is clear of QRM. At 6pm got KLNE ch. 3 NE, as of 8:30 pm Es are already gone.

Dennis Park Smith, 3703 Dixon St., Santa Barbara, CA 93105-2419 (805)687-7803

There was no Es observed in May until the last day, May 31, when receiver was turned on at 1303 PDT. Channel 2 only, very jumbled, on indoor whip. Most predominant was a Mexican station; boxing match being promoted. Didn't quite catch an ID at 1430 ("XH_2"). All gone by 1500.

Eric Bueneman (N0UIH), 631 Coachway Lane, Hazelwood, MO 63042-1347 Phone: (314) 839-9751 (prepaid only!) E-mail: N0UIHEric@aol.com,WWide Web:http://members.aol.com/n0uiheric/k-index.html

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Western TV DX E Bueneman's report cont'd'

Equipment: Alaron 12-inch (30 cm) black and white TV, Radio Shack VU-210XR with Archerotor at 33 feet (10 m) above ground level, 540 feet (164 m) above sea level.

All times are CDT, new stations have calls underlined, all distances in miles/km

 June 4, 1999
 (trop)

 2130
 WTHI
 10 IN Terre Haute (Grade B)
 170/274

 2130
 WBAK
 38 IN Terre Haute (w/news produced by WTHI-101)
 170/274

 2135
 WCIU
 26 IL Chicago "The U" (Grade B)

 270/435
 2135
 WFLD
 32 IL Chicago "Fox Chicago" (Grade B)

2135 WFLD 32 IL Chicago "Fox Chicago" (GradeB)
270/435
2135 WCPX 38 IL Chicago (mixing w/WBAK)

270/435 WCPA 36 IL Chicago (mixing w/WBAK)

2135 WSNS 44 IL Chicago "Telemundo 44" (Grade B) 270/435

2137 WPWR 50 IN Gary "UPN 50" (near-local signal) 250/402

2138 Champaign, IL 3 (Grade B), 15 (near-local signal), 39 150/240

2139 Urbana, IL 12 (Grade B), 27 (near-local signal) 155/249

2345 WBUI 23 IL Decatur "WB 23" (ex-WPXU) 110/177

June 5, 1999 (trop)

0130 Louisville, KY 32, 41 250/402 0145 WXIN 59 IN Indianapolis "Fox 59"

(near-local signal) 240/386

0150 WWAZ 19 KY Madisonville 190/306 0200 WEVV 44 IN Evansville "CBS 44" (sign-off)

0205 WTVW 7 IN Evansville "Fox 7"

(Grade Bsignal)

165/266 165/266

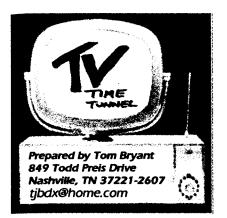
June 6, 1999 (trop)

0137 KTEJ 19 AR Jonesboro (CBTP) 200/322

After the passage of a storm system on June 4, the FM and TV bands really opened up. A number of stations in Illinois and western Indiana showed up just after 9:00 p.m. on June 4, and the opening continued into June 5, with western Kentucky being added to the mix. The June 6 opening was mostly FM, but a weak KTEJ-19 managed to sneak through with a test pattern. It'll be interesting to see how the DTV signals come in at this location. As far as I know, there are four DTV CPs floating around this market (KSDK-DT 35, KETC-DT 39, KTVI-DT 43 and KMOV-DT 56). W57BS hasn't yet moved to Channel 50 as W50CH yet, and we also expect K21OD to be bumped by WPXS-DT.

73, Eric (NOUIH)

MEET YOUR FELLOW DX'ERS— COME TO NEW JERSEY THIS MONTH!



70 years ago!

If the object shown below wasn't such a rare item I doubt that I would have given it the full page treatment. The very idea that a publication called "The Romance and Reality of Television" existed in 1930 caught my attention at once. Even more impressive ...the cover was printed in color. W1XAV was the Baird scanning disk TV station in Boston. It operated on 2120 kHz video with 500 watts and apparently scanned at both 48 and 60 lines/15 and 20 pictures per second. Audio for this station was broadcast on WEEI-AM radio and the announcer was "Big Brother" Bob Emery...a Boston fixture through the 1950s. Thanks to Jeff Kadet for scanning the material.

